

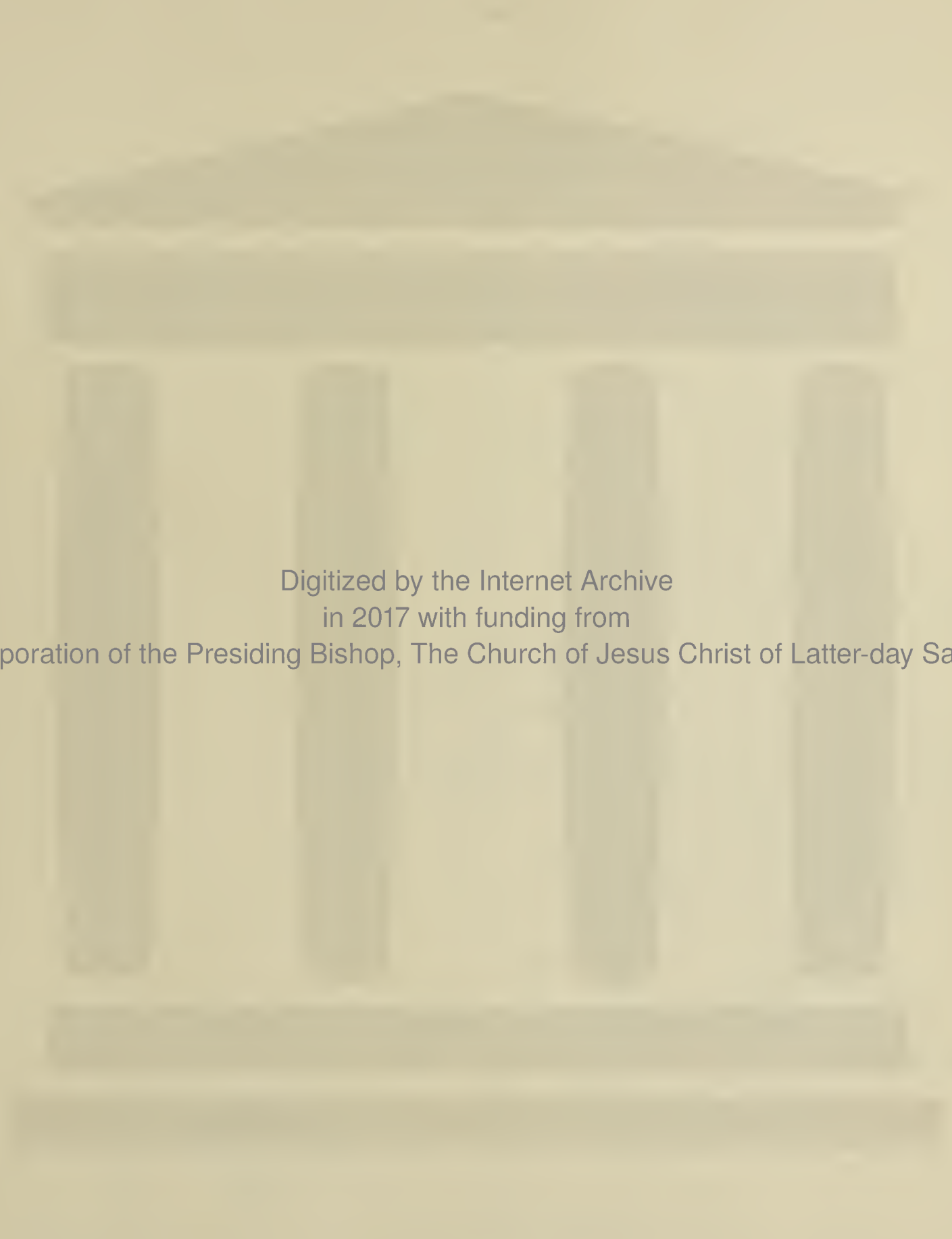
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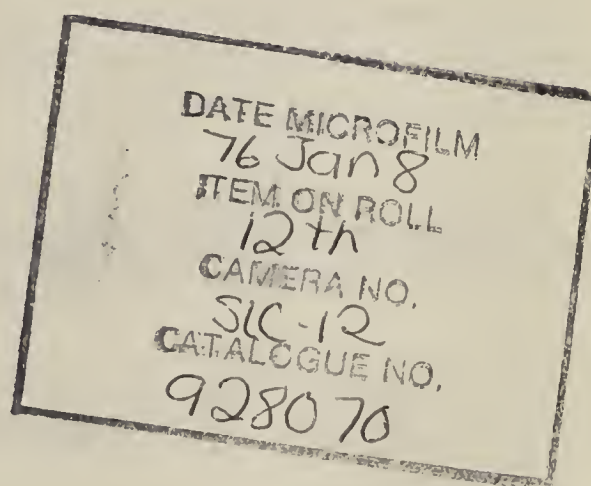
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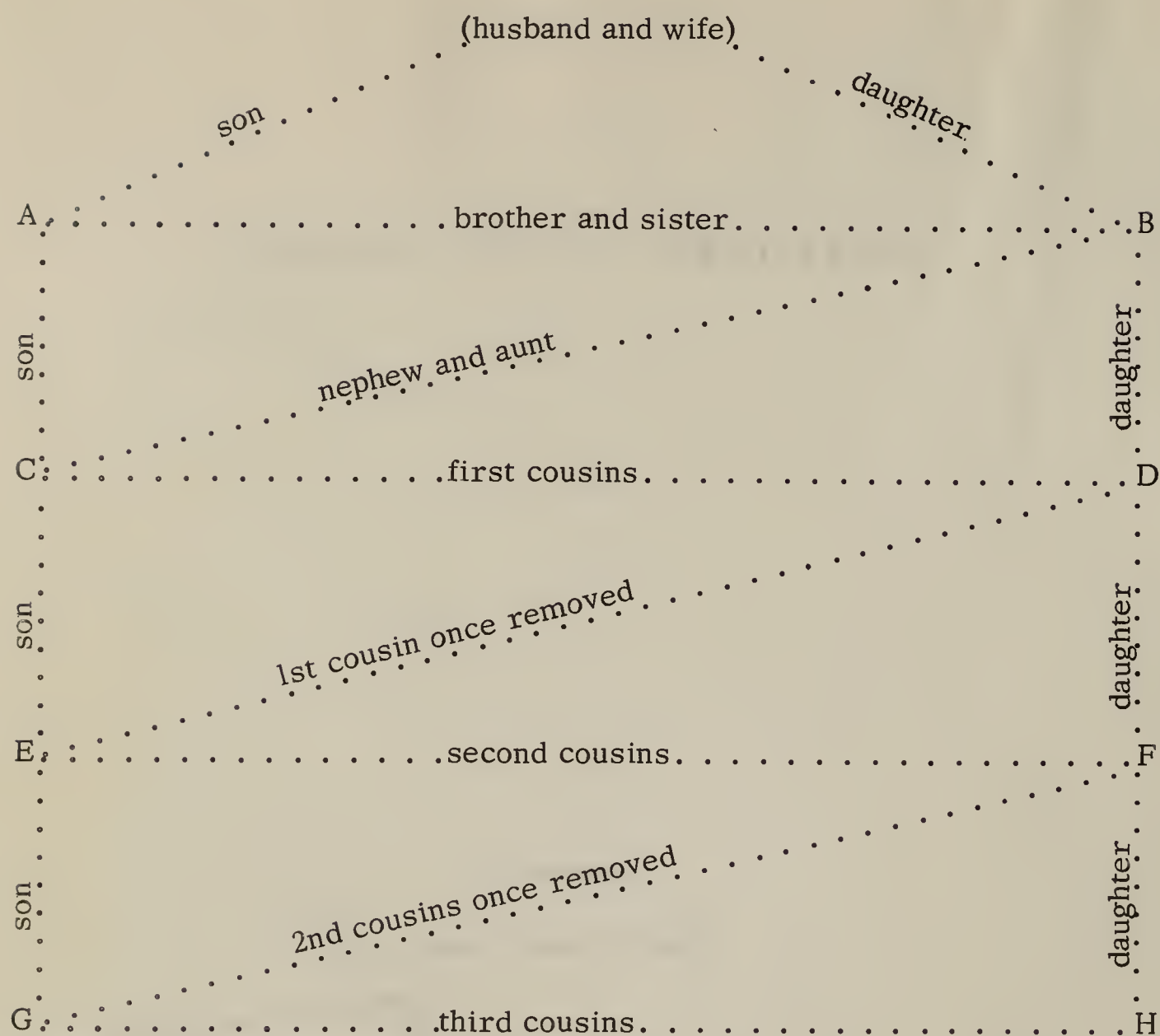


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AN ILLUSTRATION OF SIMPLE RELATIONSHIPS



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SCHWEITZER

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

SCHWEITZER means "one who came from Switzerland". Our ancestors traced in this book, did not come from Switzerland so we do not know just how they happened to receive this name.

In the earliest extant census records of Germans in Russia, the letter "T" is not used in Schweitzer. This might be a mistake, however, since all the records in the United States spell it SCHWEITZER.

PREFACE

The "Schweitzer" family tree presented here is the result of several years of study, research, writing letters and visiting people. This project was started as a hobby about 12 years ago and was not originally intended for publication. I had always known that we had many relatives; finally I decided to write them down to find out just how many there really are. As the names in the book increased so did my enthusiasm until I was "hooked". Having gathered this much information together now, it seemed a shame not to have it published so that all the relatives could share it. I don't know how many letters I've written or people I've visited with, but as you will probably conclude it was no small task.

This book traces only one branch of the Schweitzer family, namely the direct descendants of John and Christina Schweitzer who came to America in 1893. Listed here are their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren; in other words the "tree" stops with my generation. In some families there are already two generations beyond mine, and to have included all these descendants would have been an enormous amount of work and would probably have proved very confusing to the average reader. Each family should continue its own book of records, adding their descendants to the records included here. If any further family trees are compiled, I would want to obtain a copy.

This is mainly a book of second cousins. If your name appears, you are at least a second cousin to everyone else in this book. The listings do not include relatives beyond second cousins.

I did not try to do any research in Alsace or Germany where our ancestors originated. To do this one would almost have to go over there in person, and he would have to be able to read German script or at least speak German fluently. The other way to do research would be to hire a company that is set up to do geneological research, but I have not had the time or the money to even consider these approaches.

There is no established link of relationship between our family and the famous Doctor Albert Schweitzer. Dr. Schweitzer was born in 1875 in Alsace so that the possibility of kinship is there, but it would be distant.

By comparing the census records of 1816 in Russia with the history the old people told me, I was able to identify the original Schweitzer family that went to Russia in 1809.

Almost all my vacation time these past years was spent visiting relatives, especially old people, always with my notebook collecting names and dates.

I hope this book will inspire others to continue tracing their own branch of the family. There are various formats one can use. I made up my own style, one which was the easiest for me to follow. If you are making your own family tree, you are free to use any information from this book which may be useful to you.

The addresses of people are not given because now days everyone moves so much that the addresses would be out of date by the time this book was published, and because I do not want to be responsible for anyone getting on a mailing list unwillingly.

I apologize for any misspelled names or wrong dates that might appear. I ask you to please send me the corrections for any errors you might find.

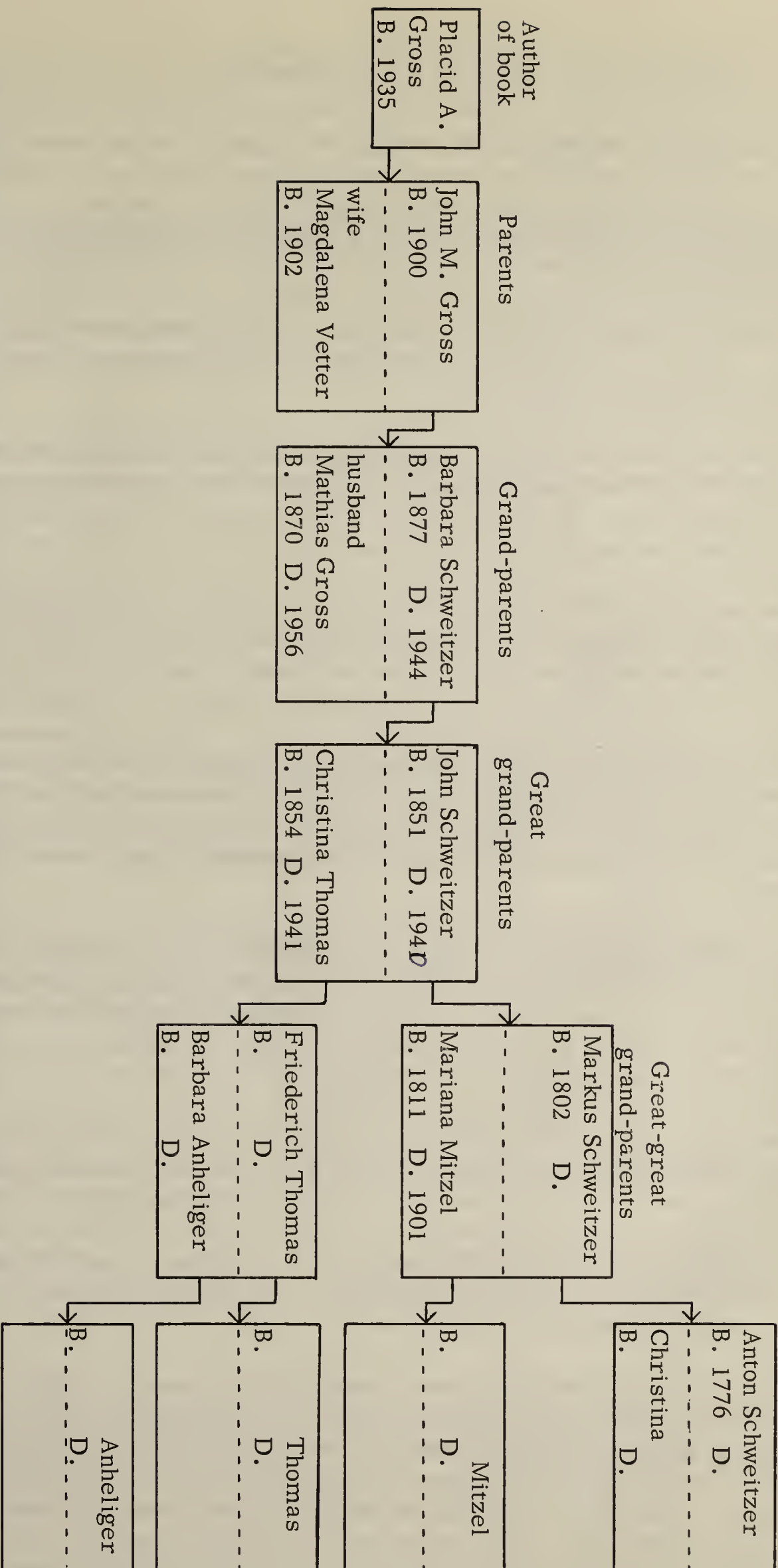
For several families the information is not complete; a few families did not answer my letters. If you see a name listed without a partner the person might not be married or the name of the partner simply wasn't available. Some of the family have been divorced and remarried; in this case only the present spouse is listed.

The entire book is set up in such a way that you can easily make additions as they happen. In the empty spaces, you can write in your own bits of interesting information about your family. You can also open the pins on the cover to add pages to start your own individual family tree.

My thanks and sincere gratitude go out to all who helped me get all this information together; without this help this book would not have been possible. I appreciate your letters and words of encouragement, and it is a real pleasure to meet so many nice relatives whom I come in contact with through this project.

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Great-great-great-grand parents



Using the above illustration as an example, you can work out your own genealogy. Substitute your own name in the first square and your parents in the second, etc. You must remember that this chart is only on one section of the Family Tree (the Schweitzer). If you list all your ancestors, you will need a much larger piece of paper as the list always doubles because you have two parents, four grandparents, eight great-grand parents, sixteen great-great-grand parents, thirty-two great-great-great-grandparents.

A SHORT HISTORY

Our ancestors are usually called German-Russian, but in reality they are not Russian at all, but only Germans who lived on Russian soil for less than 100 years. In the years they lived in Russia, they kept their German dialect, their customs in food and clothing. They kept their German names and did not intermarry with the Russian people.

In western Europe in the late 1700's there was political unrest, and wars between nations. There were crop failures and famine. The people were over populated and needed "lebensraum" (room to live).

About this time Russia gained new land in South Russia after defeating and pushing out the Turks; new peoples were needed to settle and cultivate this recently acquired fertile land. The Empress Catherine decided to bring in German farmers who would serve as models for the Russian peasants who were not skilled in agriculture.

The basis for the organized settlement of foreigners, especially Germans, was provided by the "Manifesto" of Empress Catherine II of July 22, 1763. A large number of people went to Russia at this time and settled near the Volga River. The Russian government was so pleased with this arrangement that the grandson of Catherine, Alexander I, repeated the invitation on February 20, 1804. The second large migration took place from 1804-1817. Our Schweitzer ancestors who went in 1809 were part of this second large migration. These people were settled mostly around the Black Sea area in Southern Russia; the principal city in this area was Odessa on the sea coast. It is estimated that about 100,000 Germans immigrated to Russia between 1763-1862.

These migrants usually traveled and settled in organized groups with a leader. There was much sickness and hardship along the way, and many of them died enroute. Some groups went down the river as far as they could on small boats while others made the entire trip on land by ox carts and on foot. It usually took them about five months to reach their destination in Russia.

The points of greatest interest in the promises by the Russian Government included unhindered and free practice of religion, freedom from military service for all time, free land, (each family received about 160 acres and would be able to buy more) plus many tax exemptions. In the "Manifesto of 1804" the Russian government limited immigration to skilled farmers and craftsmen, and decreed that only married family men could get the land grant. Immigrants also had to possess a certain amount of property or cash.

Settlements of these people were carefully pre-planned. They lived in villages called "dorfer". The dorf was layed out along a wide straight road, with houses in neat rows on each side. Each house had a big yard in the rear, for the barns and animals. The pasture for the horses, cows, pigs and geese was shared in common. The church, school and administration buildings and the well for water were located in the center of the dorf. Each family had its own crop land out in the country. Some of these fields were several miles out, so that during harvest time the entire family often camped in the fields all week while everybody helped with the work.

In this new and fertile land of southern Russia the German Colonists worked hard, prospered and enjoyed life. Under these flourishing conditions the population increased rapidly. The original 300 dorfer increased and spread out so that by 1914 there were over 3,000 villages. In only 140 years the population of Germans in Russia increased by over 700 percent.

Up to the mid 19th century everything had been going well for the German people; in fact, things were going too well. Now the Russians were becoming jealous and the government was weakening. Our ancestors and relatives tell of many incidents where their horses and other property was stolen by Russians. The thieves were not prosecuted, and the Germans were helpless to defend themselves.

On June 4, 1871, under Alexander II, the Colonists' code of rights was taken away. In general everything seemed to turn against them. At this time land for further expansion was becoming scarce and too expensive to buy. Many of the colonists began to think about leaving Russia.

In 1862 President Lincoln had signed the "Homestead Act" which was a happy coincidence for the Germans in Russia. The United States needed people to settle in the plains states to link the east to the west and offered each homesteader 160 acres of free land. Of course, the homesteader also had to meet certain obligations before the land finally became his.

The Canadian Parliament passed the "Dominion Lands Act" in 1872; this was modeled after the American "Homestead Act". Brazil, Argentina and several other South American countries also pursued aggressive immigration policies at that time. It is estimated that about 300,000 Germans from Russia, eventually settled in North and South America.

This emigration from Russia continued up to the time World War I began in 1914 when all emigration was stopped. This resulted in many families being separated for life. Many of the people who had left Russia before 1914 never heard from, or of, their brothers and sisters, or even their parents again.

As early as 1915 the German people in Russia began to be actually persecuted. From then through World War II they were starved to death, were shot at home or were deported to Siberia to work in labor camps. All this for no other reason except that they were German. Even to this day none of the surviving Germans from South Russia are allowed to return to their former home dorf.

This short sketch is not meant to be a piece of scholarly research into the history of our ancestors. It is only meant to be a very brief outline which tries to give a general idea of why and how so many people got to Russia and later to the Americas.

Several good books dealing with the history of our people have been published in recent years: Paradise On The Steppes by Dr. Joseph S. Height; The Emigration From Germany To Russia In The Years 1763 to 1862 by Karl Stumpp; The German Russians by Karl Stumpp. For more detailed study of the German Russians in North Dakota there is From The Steppes. To The Prairies by Monsignor George P. Aberle, Dickinson, ND.

There are two new organizations that are doing much to create an interest in and to preserve our rich heritage. These two organizations are the North Dakota Historical Society of Germans from Russia, with headquarters in Bismarck, ND and the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia, headquartered in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Part of a map of Germany and Alsace-Lorraine where our ancestors lived before migrating to Russia.



THE THOMAS ANCESTRY OF THE SCHWEITZER FAMILY TREE

Friederich Thomas, great-great-grandfather of the author, went to Russia as a young man; his parents, however, did not go to Russia. Friederich was married to Barbara Anheliger.

In Russia Friederich's occupation was a taxi driver, that is, a taxi with horses and buggy. One day while traveling alone, he was killed by bandits and his horses and buggy were stolen. Several days later the body was found but the family did not dare identify the body. If the police were to search for and punish the criminals, the Thomas family would have had to pay all the expenses. They did not have the money to pay for that so they had to keep quiet. No dates are available except that Friederich was killed when he was about 45 years old. His widow, Barbara, was still alive when her children started emigrating to America in the late 1800's.

The above story was told to the author in 1973 by two of Friederich's grandchildren, Mrs. Balzer Wald, Bismarck, ND. and Mr. John Schweitzer, Timber Lake, SD.

CHILDREN OF FRIEDERICH THOMAS AND BARBARA ANHELIGER

FRANK was married six times. His last wife was Rosa. Some of his descendants lived around Orrin and Karlsruhe, ND.

MICHAEL was married to Margaretha Schneider. They lived at Strasburg, ND. Two of their children are John and Michael Thomas.

MARGARETHA married Frank Baumgartner. They settled near Strasburg, ND. They had ten children: Anton, married Marian Welder; Joseph married Christina Schumacher; Barbara married Peter Schweitzer; Margaretha married Balzer Wald; Juliana died at age 16; Peter married Caroline Nold; Katherina married Bernard Fix and later Lawrence Klein; Christina married Sebastian Materi (she died in a house fire near Napoleon, ND) Mariana married Andrew Scherr; and Frank who died at age five.

CHRISTINA married John Schweitzer. Their descendants are the subject of this book.

SABINA married Ludwig Mattern. Their children were Barbara, Mariana, Theresia, Baltesar (who married Rosalia Wald), Franz, Joseph, Anton, Agatha (who married a Wangler and lives at Browerville, MN), Conrad, Katherine, and Friederich.

MARIANA married Conrad Schlosser. Their children are Frank, Mariana, Paulina, Conrad, Nicholas, and Michael.

PETER died young in Russia.

This is by no means intended as a complete listing of the Thomas relationship. Rather it is hoped that these few names listed might possibly help someone else get started on the Thomas Family Tree.

FIRST SCHWEITZER ANCESTOR MIGRATES TO RUSSIA

This history of the Schweitzer family starts with Anton Schweitzer who went to Russia with his family in 1809. No effort was made here to do any research in Alsace where the family lived before this date. Possibly some future researcher could find a lot of interesting and important data in Alsace.

In 1816 census records were taken in Russia and these records are now printed in Karl Stumpp's book The Emigration From Germany In The Years 1763 to 1862. The records are very sketchy indeed, but often they do supply the missing link.

The census record of March 12, 1816 states that Anton Schweitzer emigrated from the village of Mothern, in the district of Weissenburg in Lower Alsace (which now is a part of France). Anton and his family arrived in Russia October 8, 1809. The record also gives the information that they were Catholic and farmers by trade. They settled in the Dorf of Strasburg about 40 miles northwest of the city Odessa on the Black Sea.

FIRST GENERATION IN RUSSIA AND THE FIRST LISTED IN THIS BOOK

	BORN	DIED
Anton Schweitzer	1776	
Christina (his wife)	1781	

Children of Anton and Christina Schweitzer in 1816 were as follows:

Joseph	1798	1812
Markus	1802	Markus is the ancestor of the people in this book.
Mariana	1804	
Peter	1805	
Michael	1806	
Anton	1808	
John	1812	1815
Nicholas		1815

SECOND GENERATION IN RUSSIA

Markus Schweitzer was born in Alsace in 1802. He was seven when he immigrated into Russia with his parents, brothers and sisters. He was old enough to enjoy the adventures but, hopefully, too young to realize the dangers and hardships of the trip. Markus grew up in Strasburg, Russia, and married Mariana Mitzel who was born in 1811. She was either born in Russia or came to Russia as a very small child. Markus died at Strasburg, Russia. We don't know how old he was.

Mariana, the widow of Markus, came to America with her children in about 1893. At Hague, ND, she lived with her daughter Katherina (the Adam Gefree family). A few of the people I visited with who remember her are her grand-daughters, Mrs. John Schmacher of Zeeland, ND and Mrs. Jacob Brickner of Colonsay, Saskatchewan.

There are only a few items that they could recall about her; they say she was old, walked with a cane, and that she had poor eye sight in her old age. She did, however, do chores around the house, such as mending clothes.

The church records at St. Aloysius, northeast of Hague, state that she was buried January 14, 1901, at the age of 89. She would have been born in 1811 or before January 14, in 1812. There is no grave marker with her name on it, but there are several wooden crosses from which the names have completely disappeared, so one of these could be hers.



Mrs. Markus (Mariana Mitzel) Schweitzer. Picture taken about 1886.

	BORN	DIED
Markus Schweitzer	1802	?
Mariana Mitzel	1811	Jan. 14, 1901

Children of Markus and Mariana Schweitzer. (They are not listed in their correct order of birth.)

CARL is buried at St. Anthony Cemetery, rural Napoleon, ND. He is the grand- of Frances Burckhardt and Anton Schweitzer of Bismarck, ND.

PETER

MARKUS

JOHN married Christina Thomas; their descendants are listed in this book.

KATHERINA married Adam Geffre. Three of their grandchildren are Mrs. Mike Vetter, Mrs. Jacob Piatz, and Sebastian Schumacher of Napoleon, ND.

ROSALIA married Sebastian Lacher. Their history and all their descendants (several hundred in number) are traced in the History of Lacher Kinship by Karl A. Lacher printed in 1971.

ROSINA married Leopold Feist. Three of their children are Markus Feist, Linton, Mrs. Adam(Philipina) Masseth, Napoleon and Mrs. John (Cecilia) Bosch, Bismarck, ND.

ELIZABETH married Sebastian Wald. Their children were Conrad, Stanislaus, Sebastian, Marcus, Mrs. John (Katherine) Schumacher, Mrs. Balzer (Rosalia) Mattern. This large family takes in most of the Walds from around Napoleon, Zeeland, and Edgeley, many of the Schumachers from Linton and most of the Matterns from Strasburg, ND.

JULIANA married Jacob Kraft. Their descendants all live in Canada. Mr. L. P. Lean from Merritt, British Columbia, is working on this branch of the Family Tree. Mrs. Jacob (Katherine) Brickner of Colonsay, Saskatchewan, is one of the many grandchildren.

The above few names are given as a help for anyone from these families who might want to do their branch of the Schweitzer Family Tree. It would be impossible to include all their descendants in this book as there would surely be several thousand.

THIRD GENERATION IN THIS BOOK

John Schweitzer(the son of Markus and Mariana) and Christina Thomas, the girl who was to become his wife, were born and grew up in the Dorf of Strasburg, which is about 40 miles northwest of the city of Odessa, on the Black Sea in South Russia. They were married in Russia and had nine children when they decided to migrate to America in 1893. Three more children were born to them in ND.

They sold all their property in Strasburg for whatever they could get, bringing with them only a few small items and personal clothing. They traveled by train through Russia and western Europe to board a ship in either Germany or England.

Records in the Emmons County Courthouse at Linton, ND, indicate that Johannes Schweitzer arrived at the Port of New York in October of 1893. The records also show that he became an American citizen June 5, 1899. The wife and children become citizens automatically and did not have to apply for it.

At New York they again boarded a train and came as far west as Eureka, SD.

In June of 1887 the Chicago-Milwaukee-St. Paul and Pacific Railroad had put in a branch line from Roscoe to Eureka, SD. The homesteaders in this area now had a shorter distance to travel by wagon than those who came previously.

From Eureka the immigrants still had about 50 miles cross country to Hague, ND, where homestead land was still available and where so many of their relatives had settled. Most likely some relatives had been notified of their coming and were waiting at the train depot with horse or ox team.

The nearby town of Strasburg, ND, got its name from the little Dorf in Russia and the little Dorf in Russia was named after the famous city Strasburg on the Rhine in Alsace. Our ancestors did not actually come from Strasburg in Alsace but from that general vicinity. It could be noted here that Hague, ND, originally was called Selz, again for a Dorf in Russia, which was a Dorf near Strasburg.

Upon their arrival in Emmons County our ancestors started looking for a piece of land they could call their own. Very likely they stayed with relatives the first weeks while their own sod house was being put up. The Schweitzers homesteaded about 14 miles northeast of present day Hague, ND. From the present St. Aloysius Church, the farm was about three quarters of a mile north and three quarters of a mile east. There is no farm there now.

Some pioneers tell the story that they lived out of the wagon box while building their sod houses. If rain or cold weather came along, they would tip the wagon box upside down for a shelter.

The virgin prairie sod was the most economical building material available. A furrow was plowed in the soil, then the turned-over-sod was cut into strips short enough to handle, about 24 inches long. These strips of sod were piled one on top of the other to build a wall. Poles from chokecherry trees along the creeks were laid across the walls to form a roof then smaller branches were laid and then twigs. Lastly these twigs were covered with sod to complete the roof.

These houses were warm in winter and cool in summer, but a good soaking rain would always soak through the roof and cause a dirty mess inside. This type of house was considered temporary, until such time the railroads could bring in lumber for better buildings and the pioneers had money to buy it. Some houses were constructed of sun-dried mud bricks and others of rocks from the fields. These latter two types were much more durable, and a few are still being occupied in 1974.

With the nearest town still about 50 miles away the pioneers learned to be self-sufficient. They raised large gardens and stored vegetables in the root cellar where they would keep through most of the winter. Sauerkraut was stomped in the big crocks. Watermelons were also pickled in big crocks.

Sausage and bacon were smoked and hung on rods in the granary. The hams were cured in brine in 50 gallon vinegar barrels. Even pigs feet were cleaned and made into a delicacy. The wheat was taken to Eureka where it was ground for flour. The ovens for

baking were built from home-made clay brick. The oven in turn would keep the house warm in winter (and hot in summer).

The fuel for heat and cooking was mainly dry cow chips collected from the pasture in summer. The manure from the barns in winter was also saved and processed into fuel for the stoves. This type of fuel was clean burning and did not cause an objectionable odor.

The ducks and geese were plucked to make good comfortable feather pillows and warm covers. The geese could be plucked two or three times each year. Only the soft downy feathers from the under-side were plucked and they would soon grow back again.

Some of the settlers had a few sheep and could make their own woolen sweaters, stockings, mittens and scarfs. After shearing, the wool was washed, dried and carded; next it was spun on the spinning wheel and dyed with various colors. Now it was ready for knitting.

The cows were milked by hand and the milk was not pasteurized, homogenized, or vitamin fortified. It was used for cooking, made into milk soup or cheese. The separated cream was made into butter and ice cream, was flavored with choke cherry jelly to make good bread dipping for breakfast.

At this time Eureka was the closest town in which they could sell their farm produce and do the shopping--if there was anything to sell or to buy. In the Fall of 1902 the tracks were put down as far as Zeeland, ND, and in the Spring of 1903 the tracks reached Linton. For many years the round house was located at Linton. With the coming of the railroads, small towns developed and traveling and shopping was a bit easier. The railroads brought in lumber for houses and all kinds of needed materials.

These Germans from Russia barely had a shelter over their heads when they started plans for a house of worship. Without their strong FAITH in a Power Above and a HOPE for a better future, and LOVE for their family and friends, they could not have endured the hardships and privations of pioneer life on the prairies. In the old country they had lived in a village with neighbors all around them. Here worship at church and the social activities connected with the church were almost the only respite they had from a life of toil and difficulties of all kinds. It was a sure place to meet the neighbors with whom you could discuss the frustrations of the past week and share the hopes and joys of the coming week.

In 1898 there were enough families in this area to support a parish so the people got together, organized, and built a church, which was dedicated to St. Aloysius. It is located near the little Beaver Creek and to this day is referred to as the "Creek Church". This church is about 13 miles north of Hague and about the same miles east of Strasburg. All our ancestors and relatives who went into Russia in the early 1800's are listed as Catholic. To this day almost 100 percent of the descendants adhere to the Catholic faith.

John Schweitzer was one of the trustees when the church was built and after that he accepted the role of "kirche vater" (church father). He would lead the congrega-



Mr. and Mrs. John Schweitzer

in this church. Mrs. Mariana Schweitzer, John's mother, who died in 1901 was one of the very first to be buried here.

In about 1909 John and Christina moved into Hague where they operated a store until 1917 when they sold it to their sons, Marcus and Anton.

By the mid 1930's six of the Schweitzer children had moved to the area of Glencross and Timber Lake, SD, so John and Christina also moved to Glencross. Here they were retired and lived to a ripe old age enjoying the company of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

They are laid to rest in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Glencross, SD.



tion in prayer before Mass started; when the priest couldn't come, he would lead them in additional prayers and hymns.

John's two daughters, Barbara and Mariana who had a double wedding Nov. 6, 1898, were the first couples to walk down the aisle to be united in Holy Matrimony

SON OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND MARIANA MITZEL

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
John	Oct. 7, 1851		<i>May 31, 1940</i>
(Christina Thomas)	June 20, 1854		<i>Aug. 17, 1941</i>

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

Peter	Apr. 16, 1875		June 1914
(Barbara Baumgartner)	May 29, 1880	Oct. 10, 1899	Oct. 19, 1968
Barbara	Dec. 7, 1877		Oct. 28, 1944
(Mathias Gross)	Aug. 23, 1870	Nov. 6, 1898	Aug. 9, 1956
Mariana	Sept. 28, 1879		Oct. 31, 1947
(Lorenz Senger)	Feb. 17, 1875	Nov. 6, 1898	Sept. 9, 1956
Sebastian	June 19, 1881		Feb. 25, 1972
(Martha Eberle)	June 14, 1885	Nov. 16, 1904	Feb. 11, 1971
Dorothy	Dec. 9, 1882		July 1, 1927
(George Jundt)	Dec. 17, 1875		June 24, 1910
Balzer	Feb. 2, 1884		Oct. 23, 1969
(Margaret Schmaltz)	Aug. 26, 1883	1907	
Anna	Mar. 16, 1887		Mar. 19, 1937
(Nicholas Aberle)	Nov. 25, 1881	1906	Feb. 17, 1961
Joseph	Jan. 26, 1889		Mar. 14, 1971
(Maria Eva Bernhardt)	Apr. 5, 1890	Nov. 5, 1910	Dec. 24, 1969
Christina	Apr. 10, 1892		July 15, 1949
(John Kraft)	Jan. 12, 1886	Nov. 4, 1910	Feb. 8, 1953
John	Feb. 21, 1894		
(Clara Thomas)	Apr. 16, 1893	Sept. 8, 1913	Feb. 1962
(Clarabelle Myer Schwartz)		May 11, 1966	
Marcus	Mar. 4, 1896		Mar. 18, 1960
(Armelia Fischer)	Oct. 23, 1898	Oct. 24, 1917	Apr. 6, 1970
Anton	Mar. 6, 1899		
(Barbara Sahli)	Sept. 23, 1903	Aug. 17, 1925	

Three other babies died in infancy.

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND
CHRISTINA THOMAS

Peter, the oldest child in the family, came to the United States with his parents in 1893 when he was 17 years old. He farmed with his parents and worked for the newspaper in Winona and Linton, ND until he got married to Barbara Baumgartner in 1899. Peter and Barbara were both born in Strasburg, South Russia.

Peter tried several different occupations. He was a farmer, store keeper, school teacher, Register of Deeds at Linton from 1901-1904; and later he operated a lumber yard at Shields, ND. From there he went to Glendive, MT, in search of another job and was making arrangements to have the family moved there.

One day in June of 1914 he went to work as usual but didn't return in the evening. No trace or evidence of him was ever found after that. On several occasions it was reported that he was seen here, or seen there, but all clues always turned out to be false.

What most people agree on is that he got into an argument or fight over money matters and he was killed and his body disposed of. At that time the police force was not that organized and no clue ever turned up.

His widow never quite gave up hope of his return and lived in a little house in Linton until her death in 1968. She was laid to rest in SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery in Strasburg, ND.



Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schweitzer
October 10, 1899

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Peter Balzer Schweitzer	Apr. 16, 1875	Disappeared in June	1914
(Barbara Christina Baumgartner)	May 29, 1880	Oct. 10, 1899	Oct. 19, 1968
Both were born in Strasburg, South Russia			

CHILDREN OF PETER AND BARBARA SCHWEITZER

Christina	May 1900		July 1907
Clara Margaret (Allan Francis Dyer)	Aug. 20, 1901 Sept. 28, 1906	July 14, 1928	
Maria Marie Not Married	Dec. 12, 1905		
Peter Wendelin (Blanche Bedingfield) (Mildred Harding)	Oct. 10, 1907		1938
John	1908		1908
Barbara	Feb. 20, 1909		Sept. 1914
Francis Dennis	July 22, 1911		Sept. 1912

DAUGHTER OF PETER SCHWEITZER AND BARBARA BAUMGARTNER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Clara Margaret	Aug. 20, 1901		
(Allan Francis Dyer)	Sept. 28, 1906	July 14, 1928	
Linton, ND			

CHILDREN OF ALLAN AND CLARA DYER

James Allan	Apr. 20, 1929	Sept. 4, 1952	
		Died in car accident while in the Navy.	
Margaret Mary	Sept. 6, 1930		
(Homer Mascall Brock)	Jan. 9, 1924	Jan. 23, 1954	
Dennis Vincent	Feb. 15, 1935		
(Patricia Ann Knott)	Sept. 6, 1935	Dec. 26, 1955	

DAUGHTER OF PETER SCHWEITZER AND BARBARA BAUMGARTNER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Maria Marie Portland, Oregon Not Married	Dec. 12, 1905		

SON OF PETER SCHWEITZER AND BARBARA BAUMGARTNER

Peter Wendelin (Blanche Bedingfield) (Mildred Harding) Stockton, CA	Oct. 10, 1907		1938
No children			



Children of Mathias and Barbara Gross sitting with their spouses standing behind.

John and Magdalena Gross, Kasper and Eva Schatz, Mike and Elizabeth Aberle, Mrs. Anton (Christina) Vetter (widow), Gabe and Katherine Aberle, Ray and Benedicta Kotta, Peter and Barbara Brendel.

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

Barbara was born in the Dorf of Strasburg which is located northwest of the big city of Odessa in Southern Russia. She was the second child but the first girl in the family so was named Barbara after her maternal grandmother.

Very few actual facts are known about her life under the Czar in Russia. However, we know that she helped in the fields with the plowing, seeding, harvesting and threshing. At home she carried water from the city well for the washing and the household needs. Besides learning all the skills of housekeeping, she did her share of the work in caring for her many little brothers and sisters.



Mr. and Mrs. Mathias Gross

In 1893 when Barbara was 16 the family decided to pull stakes and follow their many friends and relatives to America where things seemed more promising for a growing family. Here they settled near present day Hague, ND.

It was a happy occasion on November 6, 1898, when Barbara and her next youngest sister Mariana got married in a double wedding ceremony. Barbara married Mathias Gross, a former soldier who had served five years in the Russian army but was now a farmer in Logan County. Mariana became the bride of Lorenz Senger. This double wedding was the first wedding in the new St. Aloysius Church.

In the Napoleon Courthouse it is recorded that they were married by Rev. Fr. Stephen Stenger of Selz, P.O. Emmons County. The witnesses were Anthony Bachmeier, Adam Goefrey and Joseph Senger. The priest lived at St. John's Church north of Zeeland, but the post office address was Selz. Selz is now the town of Hague, ND. The St. John's Church records were moved to Zeeland in 1971.

Mathias and Barbara took a homestead in Shell Butte Township in Logan County. This farm, 13 miles south and 2 miles west of Napoleon, ND is in the southwest quarter of Section 24, Township 133 and Range 73. At the time of this writing (in 1974) the farm is owned and operated by their youngest daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Peter (Barbara) Brendel.

The original home, made of adobe brick, was replaced by a tall square wooden house in 1916.

The school district here was appropriately named "Mannheim" for the dorf where the Grosses had come from in Russia. The word is German for "home of man".

Barbara became a victim of dropsy and suffered much the last years of her life. She died at the age of 67 in St. Alexius Hospital, in Bismarck, ND and was laid to rest in St. Anthony Parish Cemetery, about three-quarters of a mile north of their home.

As a point of interest I could add here that St. Anthony Church used to be known as the "Logan County church" because it was the first Catholic church in that county. St. Aloysius Church still is called the "creek church" because it is near Beaver Creek. St. John's, north of Zeeland, was the "McIntosher church" as it was in McIntosh County. It was also called the "Mutter Kirche" (the "Mother church") since it was the first Catholic church in a big area east of the Missouri River, encompassing all of McIntosh, Logan and Emmons counties.

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Barbara Rose	Dec. 7, 1877		Oct. 28, 1944
(Mathias Gross)	Aug. 23, 1870	Nov. 6, 1898	Aug. 9, 1956

CHILDREN OF MATHIAS AND BARBARA GROSS

John	Feb. 26, 1900		
(Magdalena Vetter)	Sept. 27, 1902	Nov. 13, 1922	
Mathias			1902
Wendelin			1903
Eva	Oct. 3, 1905		
(Kasper Schatz)	Jan. 22, 1903	Dec. 29, 1925	
Elizabeth	June 1, 1908		
(Mike Aberle)	June 13, 1907	Nov. 3, 1928	
Christine	Dec. 27, 1911		
(Anton A. Vetter)	July 30, 1909	Oct. 25, 1932	Oct. 18, 1962
Katherine	Aug. 18, 1914		
(Gabriel Aberle)	Sept. 5, 1913	Oct. 10, 1934	
Benedicta	May 23, 1916		
(Alois Millner)	May 9, 1915	May 1940	Feb. 3, 1950
(Raymond Kotta)	Apr. 9, 1916	June 5, 1954	
Barbara	Sept. 4, 1919		
(Peter Brendel)	Aug. 21, 1918	Sept. 21, 1943	

SON OF MATHIAS GROSS AND BARBARA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
John	Feb. 26, 1900		
(Catherine Kocher)	Apr. 22, 1903	Oct. 18, 1921	Sept. 1, 1922
She died at childbirth, her baby Adam was buried with her.			
(Magdalena Vetter)	Sept. 27, 1902	Nov. 13, 1922	
Napoleon, ND			

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND MAGDALENA GROSS

Mathias	Oct. 7, 1923		
(Barbara Weigel)	Oct. 16, 1924	Oct. 29, 1945	
John	Nov. 7, 1924		
(Margaret Schaeffer)	Dec. 13, 1927	Feb. 3, 1947	
Elizabeth	Dec. 12, 1925		
(Anton Schatz)	Dec. 21, 1925	Nov. 26, 1946	
Clara	Apr. 7, 1927		
(Adam Braun)	June 22, 1920	June 9, 1947	
Cecelia	May 26, 1928		July 8, 1928
Andrew	May 25, 1929		
(Agnes Weigel)	Aug. 20, 1929	May 25, 1954	
Benedict	Sept. 1, 1930		
(Christine Weinmann)	Aug. 24, 1934	Feb. 14, 1955	
Valentine	Feb. 20, 1932		
(Gean (Genevieve) Masseth)	May 3, 1937	June 25, 1957	
Anna Marie	Jan. 27, 1934		
(Louie Schneider)	Jan. 4, 1929	Nov. 12, 1956	
Alois (Brother Placid)	June 24, 1935		
Entered Monastery Dec. 1, 1957. Professed vows July 11, 1959 Assumption Abbey Richardton, ND			
Joseph	Mar. 11, 1937		Apr. 6, 1937
Richard	June 17, 1938		
Ordained Priest June 8, 1963 at St. Anthony Church, Napoleon, ND.			
Baby boy no name	July 12, 1940		July 12, 1940
Pius	Oct. 4, 1942		
(Madelina Hunkler)	Apr. 3, 1943	Jan. 7, 1967	
Isadore George	May 9, 1945		
Leo Vincent	Dec. 28, 1946		
(Lorraine Kraft)	Apr. 14, 1947	Nov. 13, 1970	

DAUGHTER OF MATTHIAS GROSS AND BARBARA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Eva	Oct. 3, 1905		
(Kasper Schatz)	Jan. 22, 1903	Dec. 29, 1925	
Zeeland, ND			

CHILDREN OF EVA AND KASPER SCHATZ

Ida Marion	Jan. 26, 1928		
(Joe Engelhardt)	May 23, 1928	Aug. 30, 1948	
Angela Christine	Jan. 18, 1930		
(Aloys Mastel)	Aug. 4, 1931	Sept. 29, 1952	
Barbara Jane	Aug. 12, 1931		
(Aloys Zacher)	Oct. 5, 1929	June 1, 1953	
Matthias Glen	May 17, 1933		
Leo John	Feb. 16, 1935		
(Katherine Miller)	June 20, 1938	Nov. 24, 1958	
Joseph Anthony	Nov. 28, 1937		
(Juliana Miller)	Dec. 30, 1940	Aug. 23, 1961	
Marianne Elizabeth	Nov. 30, 1939		
(Walter Brandner)	Aug. 11, 1938	May 29, 1961	
Thomas Francis	Sept. 19, 1942		
(JoAnn Tassler)	Feb. 15, 1944	Dec. 28, 1963	

DAUGHTER OF MATTHIAS GROSS AND BARBARA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Elizabeth	June 1, 1908		
(Mike Aberle)	June 13, 1907	Nov. 3, 1928	
Edgeley, ND			

CHILDREN OF ELIZABETH AND MIKE ABERLE

Christine	Dec. 29, 1930		
(John Long)	Sept. 16, 1926	May 30, 1949	
Imelda	Dec. 26, 1932		
(Clement Long)	Feb. 3, 1928	May 14, 1951	
Richard	Sept. 21, 1936		
(Lorraine Pomplun)	June 9, 1937	July 3, 1958	
Lillian Benita	Nov. 26, 1939		
(Richard Schmidt)	July 24, 1936	Oct. 6, 1957	
Myron Simon	Nov. 28, 1942		
(Jane Mitzel)	Mar. 26, 1945	Nov. 28, 1964	
Theresa Gloria	July 1, 1944		
(Donald Davis)	Aug. 5, 1944	June 27, 1964	
Marcella Bernadette	Mar. 21, 1947		
(Gary Neuman)	June 7, 1948	July 5, 1971	

DAUGHTER OF MATTHIAS GROSS AND BARBARA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Christine	Dec. 27, 1911		
(Anton Vetter)	July 30, 1909	Oct. 25, 1932	Oct. 18, 1962
Napoleon, ND			

CHILDREN OF CHRISTINE AND ANTON VETTER

Martin	Aug. 19, 1933		
(Eileen Sperle)	July 13, 1936	May 13, 1957	
Matthias	Sept. 30, 1934		
(Ellen Johs)	Oct. 25, 1936	Feb. 25, 1957	
Joseph T.	Aug. 28, 1936		
(Geneva Feist)	Nov. 6, 1938	Oct. 8, 1958	
Alois	Nov. 25, 1937		
(Maria Anna Weigel)	Mar. 26, 1942	Dec. 29, 1960	
Christine	Nov. 16, 1940		
(Alfred Bitz)		Dec. 28, 1973	
Anton Jr.	July 25, 1942		
(Bernice Wald)	Oct. 6, 1946	Oct. 2, 1965	
Irene Johanna	May 30, 1944		
(Joe Kuhn)	Aug. 12, 1937	Nov. 20, 1965	
Lorena	July 18, 1946		
(Joe Aberle)	May 17, 1945	June 3, 1967	
Richard	Apr. 25, 1948		
Marcella	Mar. 24, 1951		
(Gene Goven)		Oct. 20, 1973	
Barbara Ann	Jan. 6, 1956		

DAUGHTER OF MATTHIAS GROSS AND BARBARA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Katherine	Aug. 18, 1914		
(Gabriel Aberle)	Sept. 5, 1913	Oct. 10, 1934	
Fargo, ND			

CHILDREN OF KATHERINE AND GABRIEL ABERLE

Imelda	Oct. 13, 1935		1936
Anna	Mar. 27, 1938		
(Floyd Brown)		July 2, 1962	
Frances	May 6, 1939		
(Sylvester Rickers)	Feb. 7, 1933	Aug. 20, 1956	
Matthias	Oct. 28, 1941		
(Rose Mary Ruschensky)	Sept. 16, 1942	Nov. 9, 1963	
Gabriel Jr.	Oct. 27, 1943		
(Nancy Johnson)	July 23, 1944	July 31, 1962	
Zachary	Aug. 11, 1946		
(Marian Alice Kading)	Aug. 28, 1945	July 17, 1965	

DAUGHTER OF MATTHIAS GROSS AND BARBARA SCHWEITZER

	BORN		MARRIED		DIED
Benedicta	May	23, 1916			
(Alois Millner)	May	9, 1915	May	1940	Feb. 3, 1950
(Raymond Kotta)	Apr.	9, 1916	June	5, 1954	
Roseau, MN					

CHILDREN OF BENEDICTA AND ALOIS MILLNER

Rose Marie	Apr.	3, 1941			
(George Goeser)	Sept.	14, 1937	June	24, 1961	
Alex John	Mar.	1, 1942			
(Norene Patton)	Dec.	29, 1944	Aug.	31, 1963	
Eugene Lawrence	Mar.	10, 1943			
(Eunice Marie Janicke)	July	8, 1943	Sept.	14, 1963	
Mark (Alois)	Apr.	7, 1944			
(Elaine Kraft)			Apr.	4, 1970	
Benedicta Margaret	Apr.	13, 1945			
(James Alvin Benoit)	Dec.	27, 1944	June	14, 1969	
Lawrence James	Nov.	29, 1946			
(Marlys Ann Delorme)	May	19, 1947	Apr.	27, 1968	

CHILDREN OF BENEDICTA AND RAYMOND KOTTA

Mary Ellen	May	6, 1955			
Ray Allan	July	27, 1956			
Jo Ann	Jan.	14, 1959			
Shirley Ann	June	4, 1961			

DAUGHTER OF MATTHIAS GROSS AND BARBARA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Barbara	Sept. 4, 1919		
(Peter Brendel)	Aug. 21, 1918	Sept. 21, 1943	
Napoleon, ND			

CHILDREN OF BARBARA AND PETER BRENDEL

Albert John	June 17, 1944		
(Patricia Helen Gross)	July 10, 1947	July 2, 1966	
Betty Ann	Oct. 17, 1945		
(Clarence Jahner)	June 3, 1941	Sept. 28, 1963	
Matthias Paul	Sept. 8, 1948		
(Elizabeth Marie Wald)	May 25, 1952	Apr. 12, 1971	
Peter Jr.	Oct. 19, 1951		
(Elaine Buechler)		Sept. 14, 1974	
Phyllis Benita	July 20, 1953		
(Eugene Meidinger)		May 6, 1972	
Raphael Allen	June 22, 1957		
Bernadette	Mar. 1, 1961		



Lorenz Senger Family, 1915, Front row, left to right: John, father Lorenz, Christina, Leo, mother Mariana, Katherina, Back row: Mathias, Dorothy, Barbara, not pictured: Marian.



Senger boys, 1961: Left to right: Leo, John, Mathias.



Senger girls, 1961: Left to right: Marian, Katherina, Christina, Barbara, Dorothy.

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

Mariana Schweitzer was 14 when she came to America with her family in 1893. On November 6, 1898, she was married in a double wedding with her sister Barbara, the first wedding in the newly built Saint Aloysius Catholic Church north of Hague, ND.

She and her husband, Lorenz Senger, farmed near Strasburg where they raised their large family. Later they retired to Strasburg and, later were buried in Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Cemetery there.

Lorenz (Lawrence) came to America at age 16; he was the son of Michael and Barbara Senger. Michael is also buried at Strasburg, ND.

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Mariana Schweitzer	Sept. 28, 1879		Oct. 31, 1947
(Lorenz Senger)	Feb. 17, 1875	Nov. 6, 1898	Sept. 9, 1956

CHILDREN OF LORENZ AND MARIANA SENGGER

Mathias	Dec. 24, 1899		Feb. 22, 1963
(Martha Kraft)	Aug. 18, 1899		Sept. 21, 1947
Dorothy	Sept. 11, 1901		
(Joseph Schneider)	May 7, 1899	Nov. 8, 1920	
Barbara	Apr. 5, 1903		
(Anton Schweitzer)	Sept. 6, 1903	1925	
Leo	Apr. 8, 1905		
(Eva Hauer)	Sept. 23, 1904	Nov. 3, 1925	
John	Oct. 5, 1907		July 23, 1970
(Frances Kelsch)	July 14, 1907		
Christina	Sept. 23, 1909		
(Paul B. Schumacher)	Jan. 14, 1910	Oct. 13, 1929	
Katherine	June 23, 1914		Jan. 9 1965
(Gabriel Kraft)		Oct. 3, 1933	
Michael	1915		1917
Marian	Feb. 1, 1917		
(Ephraim Just)	Jan. 15, 1913	Dec. 16, 1935	Apr. 8, 1965

SON OF MARIANA SCHWEITZER AND LORENZ SENGGER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Mathias	Dec. 24, 1899		Feb. 22, 1963
(Martha Kraft)	Aug. 18, 1899		Sept. 21, 1947

CHILDREN OF MATHIAS AND MARTHA SENGGER

Joseph	Nov. 13, 1919	Killed in service 1944
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Sabina	Dec. 13, 1923	
(James Marshall)	<i>Oct. 10, 1916</i>	<i>July 1, 1947</i>

Sabina's first husband, Jack ^{Bowicka}~~Polinsky~~ and Mrs. Mathias Kraft died at the same time in a swimming accident Sept. 21, 1947.

DAUGHTER OF MARIANA SCHWEITZER AND LORENZ SENGER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Dorothy	Sept. 11, 1901		
(Joseph Schneider)	May 7, 1899	Nov. 8, 1920	
Bismarck, ND			

CHILDREN OF JOSEPH AND DOROTHY SCHNEIDER

Lawrence	Apr. 10, 1922		
(Carol Larson)	May 2, 1921	Nov. 6, 1943	
Joseph	July 30, 1923		
(Angie Klein)	Oct. 23, 1923	July 25, 1944	

DAUGHTER OF MARIANA SCHWEITZER AND LORENZ SENGER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Barbara	Apr. 5, 1903		
(Anton Schweitzer)	Sept. 6, 1903	1925	
Bismarck, ND			

CHILDREN OF ANTON AND BARBARA SCHWEITZER

John	Apr. 11, 1926	
(Clara Reis)	July 4, 1926	May 24, 1950
Irene	May 2, 1930	
(William Senger)	Nov. 23, 1929	Nov. 30, 1963

SON OF MARIANA SCHWEITZER AND LORENZ SENGER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Leo	Apr. 8, 1905		
(Eva Hauer)	Sept. 23, 1904	Nov. 3, 1925	
Linton, ND			

CHILDREN OF LEO AND EVA SENGER

Frances	Oct. 5, 1926	
(Joseph A. Meier)	Sept. 26, 1924	Oct. 29, 1946
Rose Mary	May 15, 1940	
(Alvin Wald)	June 19, 1931	Nov. 24, 1958

SON OF MARIANA SCHWEITZER AND LORENZ SENGER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
John Senger	Oct. 5, 1907		July 23, 1970
(Frances Kelsch)	July 14, 1907		
Linton, ND			

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND FRANCES SENGER

Paul	Aug. 26, 1931
(Frances Hilzendeger)	July 18, 1935

Pauline	Aug. 26, 1931
(John A Sander)	Nov. 15, 1930

DAUGHTER OF MARIANA SCHWEITZER AND LORENZ SENGER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Christine	Sept. 23, 1909		
(Paul B. Schumacher)	Jan. 14, 1910	Oct. 13, 1929	
Bismarck, ND			

CHILDREN OF PAUL AND CHRISTINE SCHUMACHER

Clara	Mar. 30, 1931		
(Eugene E. Lacher)	Feb. 18, 1926	Oct. 12, 1949	
Ann	Jan. 29, 1933		
(Jerome Houn)	July 3, 1931	Oct. 11, 1953	
Leo P.	May 2, 1934		
Anton P.	June 23, 1936		
(Theresa Hulm)	July 22, 1940	Apr. 10, 1956	
Raymond	June 11, 1940		
(Betty Baumgartner)	June 14, 1944	Sept. 30, 1961	
William J.	Apr. 2, 1942		
(Mary Baumgartner)	June 13, 1948	Nov. 26, 1966	
Dorothy	Apr. 9, 1946		
Thomas John	July 2, 1947		
(Alice Piatz)		Sept. 30, 1967	
James	Apr. 15, 1949		

DAUGHTER OF MARIANA SCHWEITZER AND LORENZ SENGER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Katherine	June 23, 1914		Jan. 9, 1965
(Gabriel Kraft)	Sept. 29, 1912	Oct. 2, 1933	
Lamoure, ND			

CHILDREN OF KATHERINE AND GABRIEL KRAFT

Dorothy Delores	Nov. 8, 1934		
(Alfred Edward Phillips)	July 18, 1929	Sept. 12, 1951	
Lawrence	Oct. 10, 1937		
(Lee Evelyn Wagner)	Jan. 25, 1940	Oct. 15, 1960	
Margaret Marie	Feb. 4, 1939		
(Harry Van Dyke)	Feb. 18, 1934	Apr. 8, 1958	
Beverly M.	Mar. 13, 1941		
(Lawrence Edward Moran)	Aug. 14, 1940	Aug. 11, 1962	
Carol Lee Kathryn	Nov. 20, 1949		
(Donavon Lee Hottman)	Mar. 20, 1948	June 17, 1972	
Gary Gabriel	June 9, 1953		
(Linda Diane Klima)	July 9, 1953	May 26, 1973	

DAUGHTER OF MARIANA SCHWEITZER AND LORENZ SENGER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Marian	Feb. 1, 1917		
(Ephraim Just)	Jan. 15, 1913	Dec. 16, 1935	Apr. 8, 1965
Fargo, ND			

CHILDREN OF EPHRAIM AND MARIAN JUST

Marie	June 14, 1936		
(Kenneth P. Feist)	Sept. 21, 1935	Apr. 26, 1957	
Bertha Bernice	June 29, 1941		June 3, 1971
She was a victim of Cerebral Palsy.			



Sebastian Schweitzer family 1938

Front left to right: Dorothy, Bertha, father Sebastian, mother Martha, Adelheid, Katherine.

Back Left to right: Mathias, Thadeus, Peter, Christine, Mike, John.

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

Sebastian, born at Strasburg, Russia, was 12 years old when he came to America with his parents in 1893. His wife to be, Martha Eberle, was also born in Russia. After their marriage in 1904, they farmed seven miles north of Hague, ND. until 1918. They soon needed more land for their growing family so in 1918 they decided to move "across the river" to Glencross, SD where Indian Reservation land had recently been opened for settlement.

Three families organized and moved together. They drove about 30 head of cattle, and used horses to pull the wagons loaded with furniture, household items, and small farm implements. Their son, John, who was nine years old, recalls that he drove the wagon with the chickens and small pigs.

At Mobridge they crossed the river on a ferry and when the ferry got hung up in low water and pushing with paddles didn't help, they pushed out the horses so the ferry lifted enough to get past all the sand bars. Along today's highways it would be about 90 miles from Hague to Glencross but then it took five days, from early Tuesday morning until Saturday evening, before they arrived at their destination.

The men had gone to Glencross earlier in the year to get things ready and

had build a granary 16' by 20' where the Schweitzer family of 10 lived for 16 months, until the house was finished. The shed had a small loft where the children slept.

They did not get a homestead but bought the land through a real estate agent. The first quarter was obtained for \$21.00 an acre and the second quarter for \$22.00 an acre.

After raising their large family, Sebastian and Martha retired to the little town of Glencross and both lived to a ripe old age. They were happy to see most of their children able to obtain land nearly, and they had the good fortune to enjoy their childrens' children.

They are buried at Holy Cross Cemetery in Timber Lake, SD.

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Sebastian	June 19, 1881		Feb. 25, 1972
(Martha Eberle)	June 14, 1885	Nov. 16, 1904	Feb. 11, 1971

CHILDREN OF SEBASTIAN AND MARTHA SCHWEITZER

Mike	Feb. 2, 1906		
(Elizabeth Senger)	July 26, 1911	Oct. 29, 1929	
Peter	Jan. 17, 1908		
(Frances Thomas)	Sept. 15, 1907	Oct. 29, 1929	
John	Sept. 29, 1909		
(Magdalena Keller)	June 15, 1911	Nov. 3, 1931	
Katherina	Oct. 29, 1911		
(Wendelin Senger)	Nov. 10, 1906	Nov. 3, 1931	
Christina	Aug. 24, 1913		
(Valentine Keller)	Nov. 14, 1905	Nov. 3, 1931	
Dorothy	Apr. 30, 1915		
(Frank Silbernagel)	Feb. 22, 1911	Oct. 16, 1934	
Adelheid Zecilia	Nov. 7, 1916		
(Ralph Leon Hollister)	June 9, 1918		
Martha Alisia	Oct. 24, 1918		Mar. 1919
Mathias	May 23, 1920		
(Anna Hulm)	Jan. 23, 1927	May 20, 1946	
Thadeus	Nov. 18, 1921		
(Vera Korb)	July 1, 1925	Nov. 12, 1945	
Bertha Rosa	Aug. 18, 1925		
(Orville Lee Foerster)	Nov. 10, 1922	Sept. 30, 1946	

SON OF SEBASTIAN SCHWEITZER AND MARTHA EBERLE

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Mike	Feb. 2, 1906		
(Elizabeth Senger)	July 26, 1911	Oct. 29, 1929	
Timber Lake, SD			

CHILDREN OF MIKE AND ELIZABETH SCHWEITZER

Paul Peter	Oct. 17, 1933		
(JoAnn Daheke)	June 1, 1935	Apr. 22, 1954	
Francis Eugene	Apr. 10, 1937		
(Judith Marie Prann)	Oct. 4, 1936	Sept. 15, 1955	
Edward Matthew	May 24, 1941		
(Mary Keller)	Mar. 11, 1943	June 9, 1962	
Anthony Wayne	Jan. 17, 1945		
(Donna Landis)	June 24, 1946	May 1965	Mar. 28, 1969
Michael John	Apr. 17, 1951		
(DeLane Gross)		Sept. 30, 1972	

SON OF SEBASTIAN SCHWEITZER AND MARTHA EBERLE

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Peter (Frances Thomas) McLaughlin, SD	Jan. 17, 1908 Sept. 15, 1907	Oct. 29, 1929	

CHILDREN OF PETER AND FRANCES SCHWEITZER

Wilfrid Eugene (Ellen McMacken)	Apr. 27, 1931 Apr. 20, 1932	July 16, 1950	
Theresa Martha (Robert Bieber)	May 12, 1933 May 5, 1930	Mar. 15, 1954	
Leroy Steven (Lorena Lipp)	May 7, 1935 Oct. 30, 1935	July 26, 1954	
Bernard Gerard (Cheryl Pfeifer)	June 19, 1945 Sept. 13, 1952	Feb. 14, 1971	
Claude Harold (Jill Keller)	Jan. 14, 1948 Sept. 11, 1951	Nov. 28, 1970	
Adele Mae (Earl Mettler)	May 9, 1949 Dec. 23, 1943	Dec. 14, 1968	

SON OF SEBASTIAN SCHWEITZER AND MARTHA EBERLE

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
John	Sept. 29, 1909		
(Magdalena Keller)	June 15, 1911	Nov. 3, 1931	
Timber Lake, SD			

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND MAGDALENA SCHWEITZER

Cecelia	Sept. 26, 1933		
(Roy Lindemann)	Oct. 1, 1928	Aug. 2, 1954	
Mary Ann	Feb. 2, 1935		
(Emil Beigler)	May 13, 1935	Nov. 3, 1953	
Martha	Sept. 5, 1936		
(Louis Bader)	Nov. 5, 1934	June 2, 1955	
Kathleen	Dec. 23, 1937		
(Wallace Hartman)	Dec. 10, 1925	June 2, 1956	
Dean	Jan. 11, 1939		
(Betty McMacken)	July 5, 1943	July 8, 1961	
Marjorie	Apr. 7, 1941		
(Edwin Volden)	May 24, 1935	Feb. 2, 1963	
Phyllis	Aug. 24, 1942		
(Edwin Cook)	Aug. 11, 1937	Aug. 7, 1961	
Valentine	Nov. 3, 1944		
(Sheila Grage)	Nov. 16, 1948	May 27, 1967	
Harriet	July 19, 1946		
C. Dwight	June 18, 1948		

DAUGHTER OF SEBASTIAN SCHWEITZER AND MARTHA EBERLE

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Katherina (Wendelin Senger) Timber Lake, SD	Oct. 29, 1911 Nov. 10, 1906	Nov. 3, 1931	

CHILDREN OF WENDELIN AND KATHERINA SENGGER

Rose Marie	Mar. 19, 1935		
Donna Kay (Francis H. Quinn)	Nov. 17, 1939 Apr. 23, 1935	Aug. 29, 1957	
Elaine Martha (D. Scott Campbell)	Oct. 22, 1942 Nov. 26, 1937	Sept. 9, 1961	
Rodney Leroy (Dorothy Holzer)	Sept. 1, 1946 Aug. 24, 1947	Sept. 3, 1966	
Kathleen Joan (Michael Gage)	July 25, 1948 Apr. 18, 1946	Nov. 25, 1967	
Terrance Lee (Diane Holzer)	Jan. 3, 1952 Dec. 19, 1951	June 9, 1972	
Dennis James	Sept. 26, 1953		

DAUGHTER OF SEBASTIAN SCHWEITZER AND MARTHA EBERLE

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Christina	Aug. 24, 1913		
(Valentine Keller)	Nov. 14, 1905	Nov. 3, 1931	
Timber Lake, SD			

CHILDREN OF VALENTINE AND CHRISTINA KELLER

Wilfrid George	May 12, 1933		Apr. 15, 1937
Dorothy Jane	June 3, 1935		Apr. 15, 1937
Kenneth Jerome	Dec. 6, 1936		Apr. 15, 1937

All three children died in a house fire.

Arlene May	Aug. 3, 1938		
(Kasmer L. Holzer)	June 5, 1933	June 5, 1956	
Duane Robert	May 26, 1940		
(Janice Faye Cudmore)	Aug. 20, 1943	May 26, 1960	
Patricia Ann	June 21, 1943		
(Virgil Horner)	Mar. 19, 1937	Apr. 24, 1965	
Karen Martha	Mar. 21, 1947		
(David Keller)	July 20, 1943	Aug. 15, 1964	
Janet Elizabeth	Mar. 3, 1949		
(Larry Gill)	Aug. 4, 1947	Apr. 27, 1968	
Theodore Allen	Oct. 16, 1950		
Terrance Leroy	Oct. 26, 1955		

DAUGHTER OF SEBASTIAN SCHWEITZER AND MARTHA EBERLE

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Dorothy	Apr. 30, 1915		
(Frank Silbernagel)	Feb. 22, 1911	Oct. 16, 1934	
Trail City, SD			

CHILDREN OF FRANK AND DOROTHY SILBERNAGEL

Marie	Apr. 20, 1936		
(Pius Biegler)	Mar. 29, 1931	Sept. 16, 1958	
James	Apr. 22, 1940		
(Harriet Hodgman)	Mar. 18, 1943	June 17, 1961	
Robert	Apr. 20, 1943		
(Mary Ginther)	Oct. 14, 1946	Apr. 11, 1964	
Linda	July 4, 1948		
(John Block)	Aug. 11, 1948	Dec. 21, 1968	
Patricia	Oct. 20, 1949		
Margaret	Dec. 2, 1951		
Elaine	Sept. 23, 1953		
Kathy	Nov. 22, 1955		

DAUGHTER OF SEBASTIAN SCHWEITZER AND MARTHA EBERLE

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Adelheid Zecilia	Nov. 7, 1916		
Mitchell, SD			

CHILDREN OF RALPH AND IDA HOLLISTER

Ralph Leon	May 7, 1940		
(Constance Kaye Munger)	Oct. 12, 1942	Jan. 27, 1961	
Raymond Lawrence	Sept. 30, 1941		
David Jerome	Sept. 9, 1945		
(Sharon Runge)	Sept. 5, 1945		

SON OF SEBASTIAN SCHWEITZER AND MARTHA EBERLE

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Mathias	May 23, 1920		
(Anna Hulm)	Jan. 23, 1927	May 20, 1946	
Timber Lake, SD			

CHILDREN OF MATHIAS AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

Clifford	Mar. 3, 1947	
(Linda Vandal)	Aug. 17, 1948	Apr. 29, 1967
Sharon	Feb. 2, 1949	
Jane	Aug. 7, 1950	
Mary Kay	Dec. 20, 1952	
Thomas	May 8, 1955	
Joseph	Nov. 26, 1958	
David	Nov. 22, 1960	

SON OF SEBASTIAN SCHWEITZER AND MARTHA EBERLE

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Thadeus (Ted)	Nov. 18, 1921		
(Vera Korb)	July 1, 1925	Nov. 12, 1945	
Timber Lake, SD			

CHILDREN OF TED AND VERA SCHWEITZER

Richard Lee	June 4, 1946		
(Carol Holzer)	Feb. 5, 1948	Feb. 4, 1967	
Dennis	July 5, 1947		Dec. 3, 1960 (Farm accident)
Robert James	Jan. 22, 1949		
(Sharon Olson)	Oct. 26, 1954	Sept. 5, 1970	
Janice Marie	Mar. 11, 1950		
(Joseph Backes)	May 3, 1950	Sept. 1, 1969	
Theodore John	July 16, 1951		
(Shirley Holzer)	July 16, 1953	Sept. 4, 1972	
Dorothy Ann	Aug. 17, 1952		
Kenneth James	Feb. 27, 1954		
Gary Allan	Oct. 19, 1955		
James Arthur	Aug. 9, 1958		
Lowell Thomas	Nov. 22, 1963		
Annette Marie	May 30, 1965		
Alan Francis	Sept. 8, 1969		

DAUGHTER OF SEBASTIAN SCHWEITZER AND MARTHA EBERLE

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Bertha Rose	Aug. 18, 1925		
(Orville Leo Foerster)	Nov. 10, 1922	Sept. 30, 1946	
Luverne, MN			

CHILDREN OF ORVILLE AND BERTHA FOERSTER

Sandra Kay	Jan. 31, 1950		
(Curtis Merlin Laudon)	Feb. 24, 1947	Oct. 9, 1971	
Michael Lee	Feb. 23, 1951		
Patrick Alan	Dec. 15, 1952		
(Angela Louise Cragoe)	July 20, 1952	Feb. 2, 1974	
Diane Marie	Nov. 26, 1953		
Charles Ray	Aug. 24, 1957		
Gary Joseph	June 30, 1961		
Susan Jane	Nov. 7, 1965		

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

Dorothy was born in the Dorf of Strasburg in South Russia, Dec. 8, 1882. She was almost 11 years old when she came to the United States with her family in 1893.

After her marriage to George Jundt at St. Aloysius Church, rural Hague, ND, they operated a general store at Berwick, ND. George died suddenly of a cerebral hemorrhage June 24, 1910. He was buried at Berwick. After her husband died, Dorothy moved her young family to Hague, ND and bought a house near her parents.

Dorothy wanted to give her children the best opportunity for a good education so she moved her family to Bismarck in 1922.

They built a new house which wasn't quite finished yet when a June thunder storm brought a cloud burst and a lot of water ran into the basement. In the root cellar was stored a five gallon can of high test gasoline which was used for cleaning spots on clothes. This gasoline was commonly used in those days for dry cleaning at home. The can floated on the water so it tipped over and the cork came off and let the gasoline escape.

The next day Dorothy wanted to clean up the mess in the basement, so before going to Mass in the morning she went to the basement and lit the 2 gas burner plate for heating water and then she opened the root cellar door to get the soap and there was a big explosion. She was burned terribly and lived about 12 hours after the accident. She was buried at Hague, ND.



Mr. and Mrs. George Jundt



Dorothy Jundt family 1914

Left to right: Dorothy, Christine,
mother Dorothy, George, Anna Marie,
Elizabeth.



Taken 1971 at Sister Arleen's Golden Jubilee

Left to right: Fr. Thomas, Dorothy, Elizabeth, Christine, Sr. Arleen.

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Dorothy	Dec. 8, 1882		July 1, 1927
(George Jundt)	Dec. 17, 1875		June 24, 1910

CHILDREN OF GEORGE AND DOROTHY JUNDT

Anna Marie (Sr. Arleen)	Jan. 7, 1903		
Christine	July 14, 1905		
(Joseph J. Kraft)	Sept. 6, 1897	Aug. 26, 1930	Dec. 20, 1960
Elizabeth	Jan. 29, 1907		
(Valentine Zimmerman)	Dec. 14, 1901	Feb. 23, 1925	Aug. 31, 1968
Dorothy	July 31, 1908		
George (Fr. Thomas)	Mar. 18, 1910		

DAUGHTER OF GEORGE JUNDT AND DOROTHY SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Anna Marie (Sister Arleen)	Jan. 7, 1903		

Entered convent at St. Benedict Convent, St. Joseph, Minnesota.
Made her first vows July 11, 1921.

DAUGHTER OF GEORGE JUNDT AND DOROTHY SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Dorothy not married Dickinson, ND	July 31, 1908		

SON OF GEORGE JUNDT AND DOROTHY SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
George (Fr. Thomas)	Mar. 18, 1910		

Profession of vows Sept. 12, 1933.
Ordained a priest Oct. 25, 1936.
He is a Benedictine Monk at Assumption Abbey, Richardton, ND.

DAUGHTER OF GEORGE JUNDT AND DOROTHY SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Christine (Joseph J. Kraft) Fargo, ND	July 14, 1905 Sept. 6, 1897	Aug. 26, 1930	Dec. 20, 1960

CHILDREN OF JOSEPH AND CHRISTINE KRAFT

Elizabeth Louise (Kenneth Roman Fischer)	May 7, 1932 Dec. 8, 1930	July 18, 1953
Dorothy Marie (Leonard Peterson)	July 5, 1935 Aug. 12, 1932	Aug. 11, 1961
Thomas Joseph (Ingrid Drahozel)	Dec. 4, 1936 Nov. 30, 1941	Sept. 2, 1961
Robert George (Rosalyn Carroll)	Sept. 7, 1939 Apr. 12, 1938	July 25, 1964

DAUGHTER OF GEORGE JUNDT AND DOROTHY SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Elizabeth	Jan. 29, 1907		
(Valentine Zimmerman)	Dec. 14, 1901	Feb. 23, 1925	Aug. 31, 1968
Taylor, ND			

CHILDREN OF VAL AND ELIZABETH ZIMMERMAN

Fabian	Jan. 29, 1926		
(Minerva Forland)	Sept. 19, 1931	Sept. 16, 1950	
James	July 25, 1929		
(Anita Gregory)	Oct. 28,	Feb. 6, 1953	
Arleen	Nov. 28, 1931		
(Gene Wilhelm)	Sept. 10,	Dec. 31, 1953	
Betty Jean	July 25, 1933		
Thomas Joseph	Mar. 6, 1945		
(Patricia Rettig)	May 21, 1951	Aug. 18, 1972	



Mr. and Mrs. Balzer Schweitzer, 1907

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

Balzer was born in Strasburg, Russia, in 1884 and was nine years old when he came to America with his parents in 1893. In 1907 he married Margaret Schmaltz at Hague, ND. Margaret also was born in Russia. After their marriage they took up a homestead seven miles south of Bison, SD, in Perkins County. From 1919 to 1927 they lived on another nearby ranch and then moved to Glencross, SD, where they started a store. It was a good old fashioned country store where one could buy just about anything and a little bit of everything. The farmers could trade a can of cream or a case of eggs for a large supply of groceries. The store had the living quarters right in the back part of the building so they were always available to open for business anytime the customers came.

In 1944 they retired and sold the store to their daughter and son-in-law, Magdalene and Carl Leibel. Mrs. Magdalene Leibel still operates the little all-purpose store today (1974). Balzer and Margaret bought and moved into, his parent's house in Glencross. They lived there until Balzer died in 1969; Margaret is in the nursing home at Selby, SD, (1974). Balzer was laid to rest at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Glencross, SD.

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Balzer	Feb. 2, 1884		Oct. 23, 1969
(Margaret Schmaltz)	Aug. 26, 1883	1907	

CHILDREN OF BALZER AND MARGARET SCHWEITZER

Christine	Nov. 26, 1908		
(Virgil Veal)	Jan. 4, 1908		Mar. 1952
Magdalena	Oct. 20, 1911		
(Carl Leibel)	Apr. 5, 1908	Aug. 16, 1933	Oct. 23, 1963
Albert Daniel	Feb. 27, 1918		
(Lorene Loretta Perman)	July 9, 1923	Aug. 9, 1940	

DAUGHTER OF BALZER SCHWEITZER AND MARGARET SCHMALTZ

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Christine	Nov. 26, 1908		
(Virgil Veal)	Jan. 4, 1908		Mar. 1952

CHILDREN OF VIRGIL AND CHRISTINE VEAL

Beryl	Sept. 17, 1927
(Magnetite Houson)	

Shirley	Dec. 1, 1928
(LeRoy Hoffner)	

DAUGHTER OF BALZER SCHWEITZER AND MARGARET SCHMALTZ

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Magdalene	Oct. 20, 1911		
(Carl Leibel)	Apr. 5, 1908	Aug. 16, 1933	Oct. 23, 1963
Glencross, South Dakota			

CHILDREN OF CARL AND MAGDALENE LEIBEL

June Darlene	June 19, 1936	
(Wayne Prouty)		Jan. 4, 1955
Jean Lavon	July 25, 1944	
(Bud Eastham)		Oct. 23, 1964

SON OF BALZER SCHWEITZER AND MARGARET SCHMALTZ

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Albert	Feb. 27, 1918		
(Lorene Loretta Perman)	July 9, 1923	Aug. 9, 1940	

CHILDREN OF ALBERT AND LORENE SCHWEITZER

Kay	May 6, 1943		
(Darrel Gill)	Mar. 26, 1941	Aug. 25, 1962	
Daniel Raymond	Sept. 22, 1945		
(Arlette Rafferty)	Nov. 8, 1948	Aug. 22, 1964	
Michael James	Aug. 6, 1958		



Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Aberle, 1906

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

Anna Schweitzer was born in the Dorf of Strasburg in Russia and came to North Dakota, at the age of six, with her parents in 1893. In 1906 she married Nicholas Aberle. They farmed in the St. Joseph community east of Linton until moving to Glencross, SD, in 1917.

Anna passed away in 1937. In 1947 Nicholas moved to Washington state. Nicholas and Anna were laid to rest in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Glencross, SD.

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN		MARRIED	DIED
Anna	Mar.	16, 1887		Mar. 19, 1937
(Nicholas Aberle)	Nov.	25, 1881	1906	Feb. 17, 1961

CHILDREN OF ANNA AND NICHOLAS ABERLE

Michael John	Sept.	21, 1907		
(Catherine Margaret Thomas)	Feb.	29, 1912	Apr. 29, 1929	
twins				
John P.	Sept.	20, 1907		
(Alice Johnson)	Apr.	20, 1908	Jan. 2, 1942	
Ann				+ age 7
Pius	Feb.	20, 1911		
(Anna Keller)	Sept.	2, 1911	Oct. 23, 1933	
George	Feb.	16, 1913		
(Barbara Wagner)	May	9, 1922	Feb. 16, 1943	
Anton	Feb.	5, 1915		
(Alice Hummel)	Mar.	13, 1917	Nov. 7, 1938	
Rose	Aug.	19, 1916		
(Frank Mike Holzer)	Oct.	21, 1914	Jan. 18, 1937	
Leo A.	Nov.	3, 1918		
(Magdalene Hummel)	Aug.	25, 1923	Oct. 16, 1945	
Mark	July	13, 1920		
(Margaret Hartinger)	May	1, 1922	July 3, 1945	
Aloisius	Apr.	28, 1922		
(Cecile Jalbert)	Aug.	1, 1926	Feb. 23, 1946	
William	May	19, 1924		
Not married				

SON OF NICHOLAS ABERLE AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Michael John	Sept. 21, 1907		
(Catherine Thomas)	Feb. 29, 1912	Apr. 29, 1929	
Mobridge, SD			

CHILDREN OF MICHAEL AND CATHERINE ABERLE

Michael Leo	Jan. 19, 1931		
(LaVerne Doris Kuehl)	May 22, 1934	Feb. 21, 1955	
Dorothy Stella	July 5, 1932		
(Delbert Bickel)	Sept. 27, 1928	June 11, 1955	
Pauline Rose	Jan. 26, 1934		
(Eddie Berens)	Aug. 21, 1930	Jan. 7, 1953	
James William	July 4, 1935		
(Helen Johnston)	Sept. 21, 1931	Aug. 15, 1959	
Lucille Ann	Feb. 7, 1937		
(Orvil Kuehl)	Apr. 10, 1930	Sept. 14, 1955	
Joseph Richard	July 2, 1938		
(Judy Frank)	Jan. 19, 1939	Oct. 15, 1960	
Leo Albert	Aug. 4, 1940		
(Jane Marris)	June 27, 1942	Dec. 27, 1963	
Delores Marie	Apr. 14, 1942		
(Gary Neumiller)	Jan. 9, 1939	May 2, 1960	
Marjorie Catherine	Oct. 25, 1943		
(Laurence Vojtu)	Sept. 9, 1941	July 25, 1964	
Stephen Sylvester	Dec. 14, 1949		
Nicholas John	June 12, 1951		
Patricia Ann	Mar. 15, 1954		
Timothy	Apr. 24, 1957		

SON OF NICHOLAS ABERLE AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
John P. Aberle	Sept. 20, 1907		
(Alice Johnson)	Apr. 20, 1908	Jan. 2, 1942	
Othello, Washington			

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND ALICE ABERLE

Jeanette	Aug. 19, 1942	
(Patrick McDaniel)	Mar. 27, 1943	Aug. 5, 1961
Phyllis	Sept. 17, 1946	
Diane	Mar. 22, 1948	
Rosalie	Mar. 7, 1950	

SON OF NICHOLAS ABERLE AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Pius	Feb. 20, 1911		
(Anne Keller)	Sept. 2, 1911	Oct. 23, 1933	
Mobridge, SD			

CHILDREN OF PIUS AND ANNE ABERLE

Peter Paul	Nov. 4, 1934		
(Mary Frances Cordell)	Oct. 18, 1936	Dec. 26, 1958	
Jerome Nicholas	Mar. 17, 1937		
(Christine LaFloe)		Sept. 1969	
Bernadine	Apr. 27, 1938		
(John D. Tillman)	July 19, 1937	July 13, 1959	
Charlotte Ann	Nov. 24, 1941		
(Robert Bleyenburg)	Feb. 27, 1934	Apr. 28, 1962	
Arlene Jane	Apr. 15, 1943		July 19, 1962
(Willis Kelly)	Aug. 2, 1943	Dec. 31, 1960	
Charles Joseph	Jan. 14, 1947		
(Marsha Wolf)	Mar. 15, 1949	Nov. 13, 1971	

SON OF NICHOLAS ABERLE AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
George	Feb. 16, 1913		
(Barbara Wagner)	May 9, 1922	Feb. 16, 1943	
Glencross, SD			

CHILDREN OF GEORGE AND BARBARA ABERLE

Raymond	Feb. 3, 1944		
(Carol Ear Ring)		Nov. 26, 1966	
Gerald	July 23, 1945		
Eugene	Jan. 2, 1947		
(LuAnn Tullar)		Sept. 6, 1969	
Louis	Sept. 8, 1948		
Frank Nicholas	Oct. 16, 1949		Oct. 18, 1949

SON OF NICHOLAS ABERLE AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Anton J.	Feb. 5, 1915		
(Alice Hummel)	Mar. 11, 1917	Nov. 7, 1938	
Tacoma, Washington			

CHILDREN OF ANTON AND ALICE ABERLE

Daniel S.	Dec. 26, 1940		
(Georgette A. Furick)	Apr. 6, 1941	Oct. 19, 1963	
Donald J.	Nov. 7, 1943		
(Merla Schmeichel)	Oct. 13, 1945	Aug. 14, 1966	
Dale A.	Nov. 4, 1948		
(Cherrie Becker)	Sept. 17, 1951	Sept. 23, 1972	
Dwayne N.	Sept. 12, 1954		

DAUGHTER OF NICHOLAS ABERLE AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Rose	Aug. 19, 1916		
(Frank Mike Holzer)	Oct. 21, 1914	Jan. 18, 1937	
Trail City, SD			

CHILDREN OF FRANK AND ROSE HOLZER

Gerald Valentine	Feb. 14, 1938		
(Helen Marie Phillips)	Aug. 8, 1938	June 1963	
Kenneth James	Oct. 19, 1940		
(Virginia LaRayne Hohl)	Feb. 7, 1947	Jan. 21, 1967	
David Jake	May 21, 1943		
(Mary Ann Becker)	Sept. 1, 1943	May 8, 1971	
Carol Ann	Feb. 5, 1948		
(Richard Lee Schweitzer)	June 4, 1946	Feb. 4, 1967	
Frank Eugene	July 22, 1951		

SON OF NICHOLAS ABERLE AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Leo	Nov. 3, 1918		
(Magdalene Hummel)	Aug. 25, 1923	Oct. 16, 1945	
Glencross, SD			

CHILDREN OF LEO AND MAGDALENA ABERLE

Pauline	July 18, 1946		
(Roger Schmidt)	Apr. 19, 1943	Mar. 9, 1968	
Louise	Jan. 1, 1948		
(Robert Lewis)	Jan. 8, 1947	Jan. 18, 1968	
Leo	Mar. 9, 1949		
Janice	Jan. 28, 1951		
(Leslie Mandernach)	July 27, 1949	July 27, 1973	
Arthur	May 14, 1952		
Thomas	Dec. 2, 1953		
John	May 13, 1955		
Joel	July 22, 1956		
Mary	Mar. 7, 1958		
Harvey	June 7, 1959		
Andrew	Oct. 6, 1960		
Irene Jane	Aug. 20, 1962		
Gerald Francis	Mar. 3, 1966		
Kenneth Lyle	Aug. 17, 1968		

SON OF NICHOLAS ABERLE AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Markus John	July 13, 1920		
(Margaret Mary Hartinger)	May 1, 1922	July 3, 1945	
Eugene, Oregon			

CHILDREN OF MARK AND MARGARET ABERLE

William Joseph	June 3, 1946		
Judith Ann	Dec. 20, 1949		
(Jerold T. Meier)	Sept. 13, 1946	May 1, 1971	
Patricia Mary	Jan. 3, 1952		
Beverly Jean	May 27, 1954		
Richard Mark	Feb. 20, 1961		

SON OF NICHOLAS ABERLE AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Aloisius	Apr. 28, 1922		
(Cecile Beatrice Jalbert)	Aug. 1, 1926	Feb. 23, 1946	
Port Orchard, Washington			

CHILDREN OF ALOYSIUS AND CECILE ABERLE

Marilyn Anne	June 12, 1947		
(Timothy Beatty)	July 1, 1943	Mar. 6, 1971	
Sharon Marie	June 8, 1949		
(Steven M. Scott)	Oct. 6, 1949	Aug. 29, 1970	
Kenneth John	Jan. 28, 1953		
Joan Cecile	Aug. 1, 1956		

SON OF NICHOLAS ABERLE AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
William Mobridge, SD	May 18, 1924		

Not Married



Joseph Schweitzer Family, November 5, 1960

Front left to right: Elizabeth, mother Maria, father Joseph, Anna Marie.
Back left to right: Joseph, Frank, Loretta, Leander, Anton, Katherine, Jake,
Balzer.

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

Joseph Schweitzer was born in Strasburg, Russia, and came to America with his parents in 1893. In 1910 he married Maria Eva Bernhardt who was also born in Russia. She was 16 when she came to this country.

Joseph and Maria started their married life on a farm near Hague but soon moved to Havre, MT. From here they moved to Glencross, SD, and in 1934 to another farm near Berlin, ND. In 1958 they retired to Linton, ND.

The high light of the five year old Joseph's ocean voyage was when his curiosity led him to lean out the porthole a little too far. He almost fell overboard but was saved by another boy who grabbed him by the legs and pulled him back in.

At the age of eleven he was accidentally shot in the ankle. The bullet stayed lodged in his leg; and caused him to limp the rest of his life. In October of 1970, at the age of 81, the bone around the bullet started festering, by December he was hospitalized and had the bone scraped January 22. While still in the hospital, he got pneumonia, and died after much suffering, March 14, 1971.

Joseph and Maria were laid to rest in St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery at Linton, ND.

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Joseph	Jan. 26, 1889		Mar. 14, 1971
(Maria Eve Bernhardt)	Apr. 5, 1890	Nov. 5, 1910	Dec. 24, 1969

CHILDREN OF JOSEPH AND MARIA SCHWEITZER

Elizabeth (Austin Warfield)	Jan. 22, 1911		
Frank (Charlotte Schoeler)	Sept. 5, 1913 Apr. 26, 1919	July 1957	Oct. 16, 1972
Joseph (Melva Jo	Apr. 3, 1915		
Jake (Alice Parker)	Feb. 14, 1917 Feb. 2, 1924		
Balzer (Evangeline Baum- gartner)	Dec. 10, 1919 Dec. 25, 1925	Oct. 9, 1941	
Anton (Evelyn	Oct. 7, 1921	Oct. 11, 1954	
Anna Marie (Alfred Baumgartner)	Sept. 23, 1922 Apr. 29, 1924	Nov. 8, 1943	
Katherine (Melvin Luiten)	Oct. 7, 1925 Feb. 2, 1919	May 16, 1949	
Leander Not married	Mar. 6, 1929		
Loretta (Dick Leonard)	Nov. 5, 1930 Nov. 28, 1927	June 11, 1951	

DAUGHTER OF JOSEPH SCHWEITZER AND MARIE EVE BERNHARDT

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Elizabeth (Austin Warfield)	Jan. 22, 1911		

CHILDREN OF AUSTIN AND ELIZABETH WARFIELD

William Joseph	Feb. 5, 1945		
Florence (Eugene Holm)	Mar. 24, 1948 Dec. 24, 1944		Sept. 19, 1966
Eileen (John Fitzpatrick)	Mar. 11, 1949		June 12, 1971

SON OF JOSEPH SCHWEITZER AND MARIA EVE BERNHARDT

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Frank	Sept. 5, 1913		Oct. 16, 1972
(Charlotte Schoeler)	Apr. 26, 1919	July , 1957	
Berlin, ND			

No Children

SON OF JOSEPH SCHWEITZER AND MARIA EVE BERNHARDT

BORN

MARRIED

DIED

Joseph
(Melva Jo

Apr. 3, 1915
)

No Children

SON OF JOSEPH SCHWEITZER AND MARIA EVA BERNHARDT

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Jake	Feb. 14, 1917		
(Alice Parker)	Feb. 2, 1924		

CHILDREN OF JAKE AND ALICE SCHWEITZER

Rose Marie	Jan. 28, 1939		
James	Mar. 4, 1940		
Ramona	Feb. 24, 1942		
(Paul Houser)	Jan. 18, 1942	Aug. 4, 1962	
Norbert	Sept. 6, 1945		
Michael	Aug. 16, 1947		
Robert	Mar. 31, 1952		

SON OF JOSEPH SCHWEITZER AND MARIA EVE BERNHARDT

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Balzer (Bill)	Dec. 10, 1918		
(Evangeline Baumgartner)	Dec. 25, 1925	Oct. 9, 1941	
Fargo, ND			

CHILDREN OF BILL AND EVANGELINE SCHWEITZER

Joseph	Sept. 22, 1942
(Sandra)	

SON OF JOSEPH SCHWEITZER AND MARIA EVE BERNHARDT

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Anton	Oct. 7, 1921		
(Evelyn		Oct. 11, 1954	

No Children

DAUGHTER OF JOSEPH SCHWEITZER AND MARIA EVE BERNHARDT

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Anna Marie	Sept. 23, 1922		
(Alfred Baumgartner)	Apr. 29, 1924	Nov. 8, 1943	
Moorhead, MN			

CHILDREN OF ALFRED AND ANNA MARIE BAUMGARTNER

Theresa Ann	Sept. 14, 1944		
(Eugene James Huber)		Jan. 2, 1965	
Daniel James	Aug. 2, 1946		
Jeanette Irene	Nov. 25, 1947		
Philip Ray	Dec. 24, 1949		
Robert Leo	Mar. 2, 1951		
(Diane Rae Jahner)	May 26, 1954	Dec. 27, 1972	
Allen Joseph	Mar. 12, 1952		
(Leanne Ethel Elingson)		Sept. 15, 1973	
Linda	Feb. 24, 1953		
Diane	Apr. 13, 1954		
Michael	Apr. 17, 1957		
Mark	Aug. 24, 1958		
Pamela	Sept. 14, 1959		
Sheri	Mar. 11, 1961		
Mary	May 1, 1963		
Frank	Dec. 1, 1966		

DAUGHTER OF JOSEPH SCHWEITZER AND MARIA EVE BERNHARDT

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Katherine	Oct. 7, 1925		
(Melvin Luiten)	Feb. 2, 1919	May 16, 1949	
New Rockford, ND			

CHILDREN OF MELVIN AND KATHERINE LUITEN

Joseph	Oct. 31, 1957	Nov. 1, 1957
Maureen	Nov. 30, 1958	
Gerard	Feb. 25, 1962	Feb. 25, 1962
Gary	Sept. 5, 1966	

SON OF JOSEPH SCHWEITZER AND MARIA EVE BERNHARDT

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Leander	Mar. 6, 1929		

Not Married

DAUGHTER OF JOSEPH SCHWEITZER AND MARIA EVE BERNHARDT

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Loretta	Nov. 5, 1930		
(Dick Leonard)	Nov. 28, 1927	June 11, 1951	
Mobridge, SD			

CHILDREN OF DICK AND LORETTA LEONARD

William John	Sept. 10, 1952		
Mary	Jan. 21, 1954		Jan. 22, 1954
Susan Jerilyn	Feb. 10, 1955		
(Steven Schatz)	Apr. 20, 1953	Aug. 25, 1973	
Theresa Marie	Jan. 8, 1957		
Cynthia Claire	Feb. 18, 1959		
Patricia Ann	Sept. 29, 1960		
Gerald Gerard	Jan. 12, 1962		
Richard Joseph	July 3, 1966		
Thomas Dewey	July 25, 1969		

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

Christina Schweitzer, born in Strasburg, Russia, was one and a half years old, the baby in her family, when they came to America in 1893.

On November 4, 1910, she and John Kraft were united in Holy Matrimony at St. Aloysius Church. John was a son of Ferdinand Kraft and Christina Vetsch. They lived on a farm near St. Aloysius Church but moved into Hague in 1917 where he helped manage a general store and worked in the grain elevator. In 1921 they moved to Trail City, SD, where he managed the grain elevator.

During the 1930's thousands of families left the Dakotas because of the drought and depression. So in 1937 the Kraft family also went West and settled in Yakima, WA.

John and Christina were buried in Calvary Cemetery in Yakima, WA.



Mr. and Mrs. John Kraft
November 4, 1910



Children of John and Christina Kraft, January 1958

Front left to right: Carrie, Christine, Bertha, Ann, Bernadine, Frances, Ramona.
Back left to right: Anton, Jack, John, Paul, Joseph, Gerald.

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN		MARRIED	DIED	
Christina	Apr.	10, 1892		July	15, 1949
(John Kraft)	Jan.	12, 1886	Nov. 4, 1910	Feb.	17, 1953

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND CHRISTINA KRAFT

Anton J.	Aug.	25, 1911			
(Frances Hoffert)	July	2, 1912	Nov. 9, 1931		
Caroline (Carrie)	Oct.	18, 1913			
(Donald Howe)	Feb.	24, 1913	Feb. 15, 1935		
Christine M.	Nov.	1, 1915			
(Dennis T. Fitzgerald)	June	27, 1912	Sept. 21, 1937		
Jacob	Apr.	30, 1917			
(Hester Beth Martin)	Mar.	8, 1919	Aug. 3, 1940		
Bertha	Mar.	15, 1919			
(Martin Vetsch)	July	14, 1911	Sept. 27, 1938		
Ann Marie	Feb.	9, 1921			
(Donald Ross Smith)	Jan.	2, 1919	Apr. 17, 1943		
John Anthony	Jan.	11, 1923			
(Wanda Yothers)	Nov.	2, 1924	Aug. 19, 1943		
Paul Joseph	Apr.	27, 1925			
(Betty Lou Allred)	Mar.	12, 1928	Mar. 16, 1944		
Bernadine Clara	May	1, 1927			
(Robert B. Burris, Jr.)	Dec.	29, 1921	Mar. 25, 1944		
Joseph	Oct.	15, 1928			
(Sandra Lee)	Nov.	11, 1940	May 29, 1969		
Frances Regina	Apr.	3, 1930			
(Victor Baudino)	Feb.	8, 1924	Nov. 11, 1950		
Ramona	Aug.	6, 1931		Sept.	11, 1968
(Laurence Van Keulen)	Apr.	1, 1924	May 10, 1952		
Gerald Leroy	May	18, 1936			
(Sharron Louise Griffin)	Sept.	2, 1936	Dec. 2, 1961		

SON OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Anton	Aug. 25, 1911		
(Frances Hoffert)	July 2, 1912	Nov. 9, 1931	
Yakima, WA			

CHILDREN OF ANTON AND FRANCES F. KRAFT

JoAnn May	Jan. 16, 1934		
(Nick Dunckel)	Mar. 22, 1933	July 3, 1951	Mar. 22, 1961
(James Crabtree)	Dec. 29, 1929		
Patricia C.	Mar. 17, 1937		
(Richard Doran)	Mar. 22, 1933	Jan. 18, 1958	
Kathleen Kay	Oct. 22, 1939		
(William Wagner)	Apr. 22, 1935	Aug. 27, 1960	

DAUGHTER OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Caroline	Oct. 18, 1913		
(Donald Howe)	Feb. 24, 1913	Feb. 15, 1935	
McLaughlin, SD			

CHILDREN OF DONALD AND CARRIE HOWE

Donald	Oct. 31, 1938		
(Marlene Dietrich)	Apr. 27, 1938	Aug. 15, 1959	
Thomas	Feb. 12, 1941		
(Mae Geigle)	Aug. 4, 1941	Jan. 27, 1962	
Charles	Jan. 22, 1944		
(Dale Boyce)	Apr. 27, 1948	Oct. 26,	
Sharon	Jan. 29, 1945		
(Duane Thompson)	May 29, 1935	Jan. 24, 1966	
Vernon	May 12, 1948		
(Lorri Ann Gregg)	Apr. 15, 1948	June 29, 1973	

DAUGHTER OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Christine	Mov. 1, 1915		
(Dennis Fitzgerald)	June 27, 1912	Sept. 21, 1937	
Spokane, WA			

CHILDREN OF DENNIS AND CHRISTINE FITZGERALD

Dennis J.	Sept. 27, 1938		
(Monica Bernklau)	Sept. 27, 1942	Feb. 28, 1972	
Martin L.	May 22, 1940		
(JoAnne Sylvester)	June 12, 1941	June 4, 1960	
Marlene A.	Aug. 19, 1942		
(Delwyn H. Clark)	Aug. 17, 1939	Dec. 1, 1962	
Betty Jean	June 5, 1944		
(Joseph F. McGinn)	Oct. 8, 1941	June 6, 1964	

SON OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Jacob Ferdinand	Apr. 30, 1917		
(Hester Beth Martin)	Mar. 8, 1919	Aug. 3, 1940	
Crescent City, CA			

CHILDREN OF JACK AND BETH KRAFT

Dianne Lee	Aug. 5, 1942		
(Jerry Edward Golden)	June 11, 1939	Dec. 21, 1961	
Mary Maureen	Sept. 8, 1945		
(Richard Brian Davis)	May 9, 1935	Jan. 1, 1966	
Jacqueline Jean	June 28, 1951		
(Ernest Lee Wilson)	May 10, 1949	Dec. 19, 1970	
David James	May 18, 1953		
(Wendy Gay Main)	Feb. 6, 1956	Oct. 17, 1971	
Thomas John	Apr. 23, 1954		
(Linda Lee Fox)	May 2, 1955	Apr. 17, 1971	

DAUGHTER OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Bertha	Mar. 15, 1919		
(Martin Vetsch)	July 14, 1911	Sept. 27, 1938	
Yakima, WA			

CHILDREN OF MARTIN AND BERTHA VETSCH

Arlene Kay	Apr. 29, 1939		
(Glen Alvin Koelling)	Apr. 24, 1936	Oct. 16, 1967	
James Martin	Aug. 6, 1940		
(Kathleen Delores Fike)	May 10, 1942	Nov. 5, 1966	

DAUGHTER OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Ann Marie	Feb. 9, 1921		
(Donald Ross Smith)	Jan. 2, 1919	Apr. 17, 1943	
Sandy, OR			

CHILDREN OF DON AND ANN SMITH

Robert Fredrick	May 11, 1947		
(Linda Stanton)	June 14, 1947	May 29, 1971	
Marsha Doreen	Apr. 27, 1950		
(Steven Cromwell Root)	Apr. 4, 1949	Apr. 3, 1971	
Cynthia Sue	May 18, 1952		
(Richard Norman Steiner)	May 14, 1949	June 17, 1972	

SON OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
John Anthony	Jan. 11, 1923		
(Wanda Lee Yothers)	Nov. 2, 1924	Aug. 19, 1943	
Seattle, WA			

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND WANDA KRAFT

Carolyn Ann	Nov. 20, 1946		
(Walter Forest Abbott)	1931	Dec. 14, 1968	
Mary Elizabeth	June 14, 1950		

SON OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Paul Joseph	Apr. 27, 1925		
(Betty Louise Allred)	Mar. 12, 1928	Mar. 16, 1944	
Eugene, OR			

CHILDREN OF PAUL AND BETTY KRAFT

Paul Michael	Oct. 17, 1946		
Cheryll Louise	Dec. 6, 1947		
(Charles Leon Hemphill)	Sept. 11, 1945	Aug. 26, 1967	
Teresa Susan	May 27, 1950		
Joni Lynn	Dec. 18, 1951		
(Brian Wesley Berntzen)	Dec. 24, 1950	Mar. 16, 1974	
Valeri Ann	May 24, 1953		
Antoinette Melinda	Mar. 11, 1957		
Nichollette Marie	May 22, 1958		
Melissa JoAnne	July 1, 1961		
Melody Gabrial	Aug. 31, 1962		

DAUGHTER OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Bernadine Clara	May 1, 1927		
(Robert Burris)	Dec. 29, 1921	Mar. 25, 1944	
Leavenworth, WA			

CHILDREN OF ROBERT AND BERNADINE BURRIS

Barbara Ann	Aug. 8, 1945		
(Elling John Arentsen)	Dec. 11, 1944	Nov. 1963	
Susan Kathleen	Nov. 23, 1947		
(Charles Patrick Long)	Aug. 1948	Aug. 1966	
Linda Louise	July 5, 1949		
(Greg Lantz)	Dec. 11, 1947	May 1968	
Carla Marie	May 7, 1953		
(Gary Dean Ludwig)	Feb. 25, 1951	Aug. 1969	

SON OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Joseph	Oct. 15, 1928		
(Sandra Lee Seattle, WA	Nov. 11, 1940	May 29, 1969	

CHILDREN OF JOE AND SANDRA KRAFT

Jo Denise	Oct. 1, 1955		
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Christopher Joseph	Feb. 24, 1970		
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DAUGHTER OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Frances	Apr. 3, 1930		
(Victor A. Baudino)	Feb. 8, 1924	Nov. 11, 1950	
Yakima, WA			

CHILDREN OF VIC AND FRANCES BAUDINO

James Victor	Oct. 21, 1951		
(Sandra Gout)	Nov. 18, 1949	Oct. 13, 1973	
Ronald Lee	June 23, 1956		
Jeffrey Alan	June 28, 1962		
Cecillia Ann	Oct. 17, 1966		

DAUGHTER OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Ramona	Aug. 6, 1931	Car-train accident	Sept. 11, 1968
(Laurence Van Keulen)	Apr. 1, 1924	May 10, 1952	

CHILDREN OF LARRY AND RAMONA VAN KEULEN

Laurie Marie July 2, 1953

Melinda Marie Dec. 2, 1955

John Lawrence July 9, 1958

SON OF JOHN KRAFT AND CHRISTINA SCHWEITZER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Gerald LeRoy	May 8, 1936		
(Sharron Louise Griffin)	Sept. 2, 1936	Dec. 2, 1961	
Seattle, WA			

CHILDREN OF GERALD AND SHARRON KRAFT

Michael Paul	Apr. 9, 1965		
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John Douglas	Jan. 21, 1967		
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John Schweitzer Family 1943

Front left to right: Father John, mother Clara, Sister Christine.

Back left to right: Frances, Mary, Peter, John, Paul, Clara, Anna Marie.

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

John was the first child born to the Schweitzer family in America in 1894. He was baptized at St. John's Church in McIntosh county and received his first Holy Communion at the age of 11 in St. Aloysius Church. He grew up on the family farm north of Hague, ND, and took part in all the hard work and adventures that went with homesteading, taming the wild and conquering another new frontier.

In 1913 John was married to Clara Thomas at Hague, ND. Clara was a daughter of Frank Thomas and Catherine Heinz. John and Clara took up a homestead near Havre, MT. In 1920 they came back to Hague and in 1921 moved to Glencross, SD. Here they farmed until retiring into Timber Lake, SD.

Clara passed away in 1962 and was laid to rest in Holy Cross cemetery, Timber Lake, SD. John continues to make his home at Timber Lake, SD.

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
John	Feb. 21, 1894		
(Clara Thomas)	Apr. 16, 1893	Sept. 8, 1913	Feb. 2, 1962
(Clarabelle Meyer Schwartz)		May 11, 1966	

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND CLARA SCHWEITZER

John Frank	Sept. 4, 1914		
(Pauline Cousins)	Sept 29, 1922	Apr. 19, 1938	
Christine	July 16, 1916		
(Sr. Christine)	Entered Sacred Heart Convent, Yankton, SD, June 29, 1938. Profession of first vows June 24, 1940.		
Anna Marie	May 28, 1918		
(Leonard Ball)	Jan. 31, 1917	May 28, 1947	
Mary Cecelia	July 3, 1921		
(Karl Rydberg)	Mar. 3, 1908	Sept. 30, 1940	July 21, 1960
Frank Joseph	Aug. 31, 1922		1922
Peter Anthony	Aug. 3, 1923		Nov. 7, 1952
(Elsie Landis)	Nov. 10, 1927		
Frances Katherine	Oct. 8, 1924		
Clara Magdalena	Oct. 23, 1927		
(Jack William Perman)	Feb. 17, 1931	Oct. 10, 1950	
Paul Henry	July 18, 1929		
(Loretta Schumacher)	Apr. 22, 1931	Nov. 10, 1952	

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CLARA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
John Frank	Sept. 4, 1914		
(Pauline Cousins)	Sept 29, 1922	Apr. 19, 1938	
Timber Lake, SD			

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND PAULINE SCHWEITZER

John Joseph	Jan. 20, 1939		
Mary Ann	July 24, 1941		
(Duane Miller)	May 4, 1938	July 18, 1959	
Dorothy Kay	Apr. 28, 1942		
(Bill Herrel)	July 8, 1938	Feb. 11, 1961	
David L.	July 2, 1943		
(Gloria Smith)		Feb. 1964	
Lawrence M.	Aug. 22, 1945		
Franklin	Aug. 16, 1947		
Paulette M.	Oct. 21, 1949		
Timothy	Apr. 12, 1958		

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CLARA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Anna Marie	May 28, 1918		
(Leonard Ball)	Jan. 31, 1917	May 28, 1947	
Emporia, KS			

CHILDREN OF LEONARD AND ANN BALL

Wayne	Jan. 4, 1949		
(Patricia Hill)	Dec. 24, 1948	Dec. 1, 1973	
Lawrence	Aug. 6, 1952		
(Judy Krumb)	Apr. 27, 1952	June 1, 1974	
Jo Ann	July 4, 1956		

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CLARA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Mary Cecelia (Karl Rydberg) Aberdeen, SD	July 3, 1921 Mar. 3, 1908	Sept. 30, 1940	July 21, 1960

CHILDREN OF KARL AND MARY RYDBERG

John Leonard (Carol Youngerman)	Aug. 2, 1943 Dec. 10, 1947	Sept. 25, 1965
Carol Ann (Wayne Sanders)	Dec. 1, 1944	June 22, 1973
Robert Carl (Jill)	Apr. 23, 1946 June 13,	Oct. 28, 1972
Charlotte Kay (Dale Bender)	June 13, 1948 Oct. 19, 1948	Nov. 23, 1968
Marlene Frances (Doug Phillips)	Sept. 16, 1950 Oct. 7, 1949	Oct. 3, 1970
Elaine Mary	Nov. 2, 1954	
Donn Eugene	Sept. 10, 1957	
Beverly Jean	Sept. 30, 1960	

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CLARA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Peter Anthony	Aug. 3, 1923		Nov. 7, 1952
(Elsie Landis)	Nov. 10, 1927		

CHILDREN OF PETER AND ELSIE SCHWEITZER

James Allen	Dec. 14, 1948		
Duane Arthur	Aug. 31, 1951		
Charlene Jane	Nov. 10, 1952		
Diane Marie	June 5, 1954		
(Emil Glen Alan Perman)	June 8, 1955	Aug. 25, 1973	

Elsie's second husband is Harley Wessel born May 30, 1925.

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CLARA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Clara Magdalena	Oct. 23, 1927		
(Jack W. Perman)	Feb. 17, 1931	Oct. 10, 1950	
Mobridge, SD			

CHILDREN OF JACK AND CLARA PERMAN

Donna Marie	Sept. 2, 1951		
Sharon Frances	July 9, 1952		
Sandra Kay	Dec. 23, 1953		
(David Thorstenson)	Jan. 29, 1954	Aug. 18, 1973	
Carol Jane	Mar. 29, 1955		
Debora Ann	May 28, 1958		
Robert John	Mar. 10, 1961		
Marie Elaine	Oct. 6, 1964		

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CLARA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Paul Henry	July 18, 1929		
(Loretta H. Schumacher)	Apr. 22, 1931	Nov. 10, 1952	
Timber Lake, SD			

CHILDREN OF PAUL AND LORETTA SCHWEITZER

Susan Ann	Mar. 3, 1954		
Franklin Paul	Dec. 29, 1956		Apr. 25, 1963
Patricia Marie	Aug. 7, 1958		
Mark Allen	Dec. 27, 1959		
Rose Mary	July 10, 1960		
Steve Lawrence	May 2, 1963		
Jerome Paul	Sept. 18, 1964		
Michelle	Jan. 30, 1972		

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CLARA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Sister Christine	July 16, 1916		

Entered Sacred Heart Convent, Yankton, SD, June 29, 1938
Profession of First Vows June 24, 1940

DAUGHTER OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CLARA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Frances Katherine Emporia, KS	Oct. 8, 1924		

Not Married

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND
CHRISTINA THOMAS

Marcus Schweitzer was born at Hague, ND and grew up on the family farm in the Creek Community. In 1917 he and Armelia Fischer were married at St. Aloysius Church. They celebrated with a big wedding and dancing at the Fischer farm. Armelia was a daughter of Joseph Fischer and Juliana Senger. Mark and Armelia farmed at Hague and later moved to a farm near Edgeley, ND. During the drought and depression they moved to the west coast and settled in Yakima, WA in 1938. In 1953 they moved to Seattle, WA.

They were laid to rest in Holyroad Cemetery in King County, Seattle, WA.



Mr. and Mrs. Marcus
Schweitzer 1917



Front left to right: Fabian, Dorothy, Christine, mother Armelia, Arleen, Jane
Frances, Claude

Back left to right: Ida, Lawrence, Anthony, Joseph, George, Alois, Anna Martha

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Marcus	Mar. 4, 1896		Mar. 18, 1960
(Armelia Fischer)	Oct. 23, 1898	Oct. 24, 1917	Apr. 5, 1970

CHILDREN OF MARCUS AND ARMELIA SCHWEITZER

Ida	Sept. 3, 1918		
(Walter Tobolski)	May 15, 1910	Apr. 18, 1938	Aug. 21, 1963
(John Magrum)	Aug. 17, 1912	June 6, 1964	
Lawrence	Aug. 3, 1920		
(Elsie Katherine	Mar. 15, 1916	June 28, 1945	
Claude	Oct. 28, 1921		
Anthony	Aug. 12, 1923		
(Neoma Jean Hudson)	Sept. 22, 1932		
Dorothy	May 2, 1925		
(Eugene Gallaner)	Sept. 12, 1923		
George	Apr. 30, 1927		Apr. 17, 1971
(Anna Claire Colella)	Oct. 29, 1927	Sept. 1, 1950	
Christine Julia	Aug. 3, 1928		
(Charles Duncan)	June 28, 1913	May 23, 1959	
Alois	Mar. 30, 1930		
(BoDean L. Netherda)	May 12, 1932	Mar. 11, 1950	
Fabian	Sept. 24, 1932		
Frances	Mar. 2, 1934		
(Duane Godfrey)	July 30, 1931		
Joseph Herman	Apr. 21, 1936		
(Anne Marie Goldade)	Oct. 9, 1940	May 12, 1961	
Arleen Mary	Dec. 22, 1937		
(William Edward Doyle)	July 7, 1937	Aug. 13, 1956	
Anna Martha	Mar. 5, 1940		
(Peter Walter Moser)	Dec. 16, 1935	Apr. 23, 1960	

DAUGHTER OF MARK SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Ida	Sept. 3, 1918		
(Walter V. Tobolski)	May 15, 1910	Apr. 18, 1938	Aug. 21, 1963
(John F. Magrum)	Aug. 17, 1912	June 6, 1964	
Federal Way, WA			

John Magrum has 11 children by a previous marriage.

CHILDREN OF WALTER AND IDA TOBOLSKI

Thomas Joseph	Apr. 11, 1939		
(Maria Jeanne Pretare)	Aug. 9, 1940	Apr. 4, 1959	
Teresa Ann	June 26, 1940		
(Ralph Hashbarger)	May 13, 1927	Oct. 4, 1967	
Leona Armelia	Aug. 27, 1942		
(David Frank Trulson)	May 8, 1942	June 12, 1962	
Charles Markus	Nov. 5, 1945		
(Pamela Klouzal)	Nov. 19, 1945	Dec. 1, 1961	
Pauline Mary	June 10, 1947		
(Michael Alex Passic)	Oct. 5, 1941	June 14, 1969	
George Walter	Aug. 17, 1948		
(Sharon Lee Johnson)	Sept. 29, 1949	Aug. 19, 1967	
James Andrew	Nov. 30, 1949		
Margaret Arleen	July 18, 1953		
(David Shank)	Apr. 18, 1950	Apr. 6, 1971	
Jane Maria	Aug. 28, 1957		
Janet Maria	Aug. 28, 1957		

SON OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Lawrence	Aug. 3, 1920		
(Elsie Katherine Seattle, WA	Mar. 15, 1916	June 28, 1945	

CHILDREN OF LAWRENCE AND ELSIE SCHWEITZER

Susan Mary	Sept. 28, 1946		
(Bob Marvin Mattew)	Apr. 12, 1943	Nov. 26, 1971	
John Wayne	Mar. 2, 1948		
(Sharon Ann	Sept. 21, 1946	July 17, 1971	
Patricia Ann	Jan. 14, 1952		
(Tom Duane Parker)	Aug. 1, 1949	Sept. 5, 1971	

SON OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

BORN

MARRIED

DIED

Claude

Oct. 28, 1921

Not Married

SON OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Anthony	Aug. 12, 1923		
(Neoma Jean Hudson)	Sept. 22, 1932		
Seattle, WA			

CHILDREN OF ANTHONY AND NEOMA SCHWEITZER

Phyllis Feb. 23, 1948

Toni Kathleen Nov. 30, 1957

Tracy Lynn Mar. 11, 1961

Neoma Jean

DAUGHTER OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Dorothy	May 2, 1925		
(Eugene Gallaner)	Sept. 12, 1923		
Seattle, WA			

CHILDREN OF EUGENE AND DOROTHY GALLANER

Barbara Lee	June 4, 1948		
Steven Eugene	Dec. 22, 1951		
Mark David	May 20, 1953		
Cynthia Maria	Dec. 5, 1959		

SON OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
George	Apr. 30, 1927	Incurable blood disease	Apr. 17, 1971
(Anna Claire Colella) Seattle, WA	Oct. 29, 1927	Sept. 1, 1950	

CHILDREN OF GEORGE AND ANNA SCHWEITZER

Gregory George	Aug. 21, 1956	Auto Accident	Nov. 11, 1973
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Anna is now married to Keith Warren.

DAUGHTER OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Christina	Aug. 3, 1928		
(Charles Duncan)	June 28, 1913	May 23, 1959	
Seattle, WA			

Lawrence Ray	June 28, 1945		
(Lynn Alexandria Carlson)	Jan. 24, 1948	Aug. 22, 1966	

Linda Ruth	Mar. 20, 1949		
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Paul Vernon	Oct. 13, 1950		
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Michael Dee	Aug. 8, 1952		
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CHILDREN OF CHRISTINE AND CHARLES OLIVER DUNCAN

Maureen Kay	Feb. 10, 1960		
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David Charles	Feb. 5, 1962		
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SON OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Alois	Mar. 30, 1930		
(BoDean L. Netherda)	May 12, 1932	Mar. 11, 1950	
Tacoma, WA			

CHILDREN OF ALOIS AND BODEAN SCHWEITZER

Marsha Marie	Dec. 21, 1950		
(Jerry Lee Lowenstein)	Oct. 6, 1951	Sept. 7, 1968	
Carol Diane	Dec. 11, 1951		
(James Francis Gough)	Nov. 29, 1948	July 1971	
Christine Gwen	Feb. 8, 1953		

SON OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Fabian (Mary Lou Seattle, WA	Sept. 24, 1932		

CHILDREN OF FABIAN AND MARY LOU SCHWEITZER

Mike	Mar. 25, 1950		
Jean Ann	Aug. 29, 1954		
Mary Lynn	Mar. 19, 1956		
Sandra Lee	Sept. 2, 1960		
Marcia	Oct. 19, 1961		

DAUGHTER OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Frances	Mar. 2, 1934		
(Duane Godfrey)	July 30, 1931		
Yakima, WA			

CHILDREN OF DUANE AND FRANCES GODFREY

Catherine	Dec. 12, 1955		
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Douglas	Feb. 4, 1957		
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SON OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Joseph Herman	Apr. 21, 1936		
(Anne Marie Goldade)	Oct. 9, 1940	May 12, 1961	
Portland, OR			

CHILDREN OF JOSEPH AND ANNE M. SCHWEITZER

Jo Anne Oct. 2, 1961

Marri Ann Sept. 24, 1962

Paul Leo Aug. 4, 1963

Albert Joseph Nov. 27, 1964

DAUGHTER OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Arleen	Dec. 22, 1937		
(William Edward Doyle)	July 27, 1937	Aug. 13, 1956	
Seattle, WA			

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM AND ARLEEN DOYLE

Rebecca Ann	Feb. 9, 1959	
William Joseph	Jan. 26, 1961	
Patrick Keenan	June 25, 1962	
Wendy Ann	Jan. 2, 1964	
Stacy Ann	Dec. 17, 1966	
Steven Anthony	Jan. 29, 1968	

DAUGHTER OF MARCUS SCHWEITZER AND ARMELIA FISCHER

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Anna Martha	Mar. 5, 1940		
(Peter Walter Moser)	Dec. 16, 1935	Apr. 23, 1960	
Auburn, WA			

CHILDREN OF PETER AND ANNA MOSER

Peter Dean June 30, 1961

Claudia Ann Aug. 20, 1963

Julia Christine Dec. 15, 1965

Jeffrey Todd Mar. 7, 1967

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

Anton Schweitzer better known as "Tony" was born on the family farm in the Creek Community north of Hague, ND. He and Barbara Sahli were united in marriage at Hague in 1925.

Tony along with his brother Marcus, and brother-in-law John Kraft, took over their father's store in 1917. Tony and Marcus were drafted for the military service in 1918 so they sold the store to a Mr. Buechler. However, the war ended shortly after that and they did not have to go. At this time Tony took a course in commerce and banking at Fargo for eleven months. He then returned to Hague to be assistant cashier at the bank. When a job offer became available he managed the Farmers Elevator and got interested in the grain business. After a short time in his brother's store in Glencross he got back in the elevator at Buffalo Springs, ND. When the drought of the 30's wiped out everything in that part of the country he was transferred to Jordan, MN where he managed the elevator for eleven years. Tony's next enterprise was a feed mill at Loretto, MN which he owned and operated for nine years. Since his retirement in 1960, Tony has been busy in the real estate business in Alexandria, MN and now at Buffalo, MN where Tony and Barbara continue to make their home.



Mr. and Mrs. Anton Schweitzer 1970



Marjorie



James



Elaine

SON OF JOHN SCHWEITZER AND CHRISTINA THOMAS

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Anton J.	Mar. 6, 1899		
(Barbara E. Sahli)	Sept. 23, 1903	Aug. 17, 1925	
Buffalo, MN			

CHILDREN OF ANTON AND BARBARA SCHWEITZER

Marjorie	June 22, 1926
(Donald Undesser)	Jan. 15, 1926
James A.	Sept. 23, 1928
(Lorraine M. Kauth)	Sept. 28, 1927
Elaine	Aug. 31, 1933
(Jerome Dickey)	May 28, 1930

DAUGHTER OF ANTON SCHWEITZER AND BARBARA SAHLI

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Marjorie	June 22, 1926		
(Donald Undesser)	Jan. 15, 1926		

CHILDREN OF DONALD AND MARJORIE UNDESSER

Gary	Aug. 4, 1947
Douglas	Mar. 28, 1950
Barbara	May 28, 1951
John	June 24, 1954
Mary Beth	June 26, 1956
Laurie	Apr. 12, 1961
Susan	Dec. 14, 1966

SON OF ANTON SCHWEITZER AND BARBARA SAHLI

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
James A.	Sept. 23, 1928		
(Lorraine M. Kauth)	Sept. 28, 1927		

CHILDREN OF JAMES AND LORRAINE SCHWEITZER

Stephen James July 20, 1948

Cheryl July 19, 1950

Cynthia Kay Apr. 26, 1952
(David Chandler) July 17, 1950

Timothy Allan Aug. 9, 1956

Susan Ann Aug. 4, 1958

Tony Apr. 27, 1965

DAUGHTER OF ANTON SCHWEITZER AND BARBARA SAHLI

	BORN	MARRIED	DIED
Elaine	Aug. 31, 1933		
(Jerome Dickey)	May 28, 1930		

CHILDREN OF JEROME AND ELAINE DICKEY

Sandra Lee	Sept. 3, 1956		
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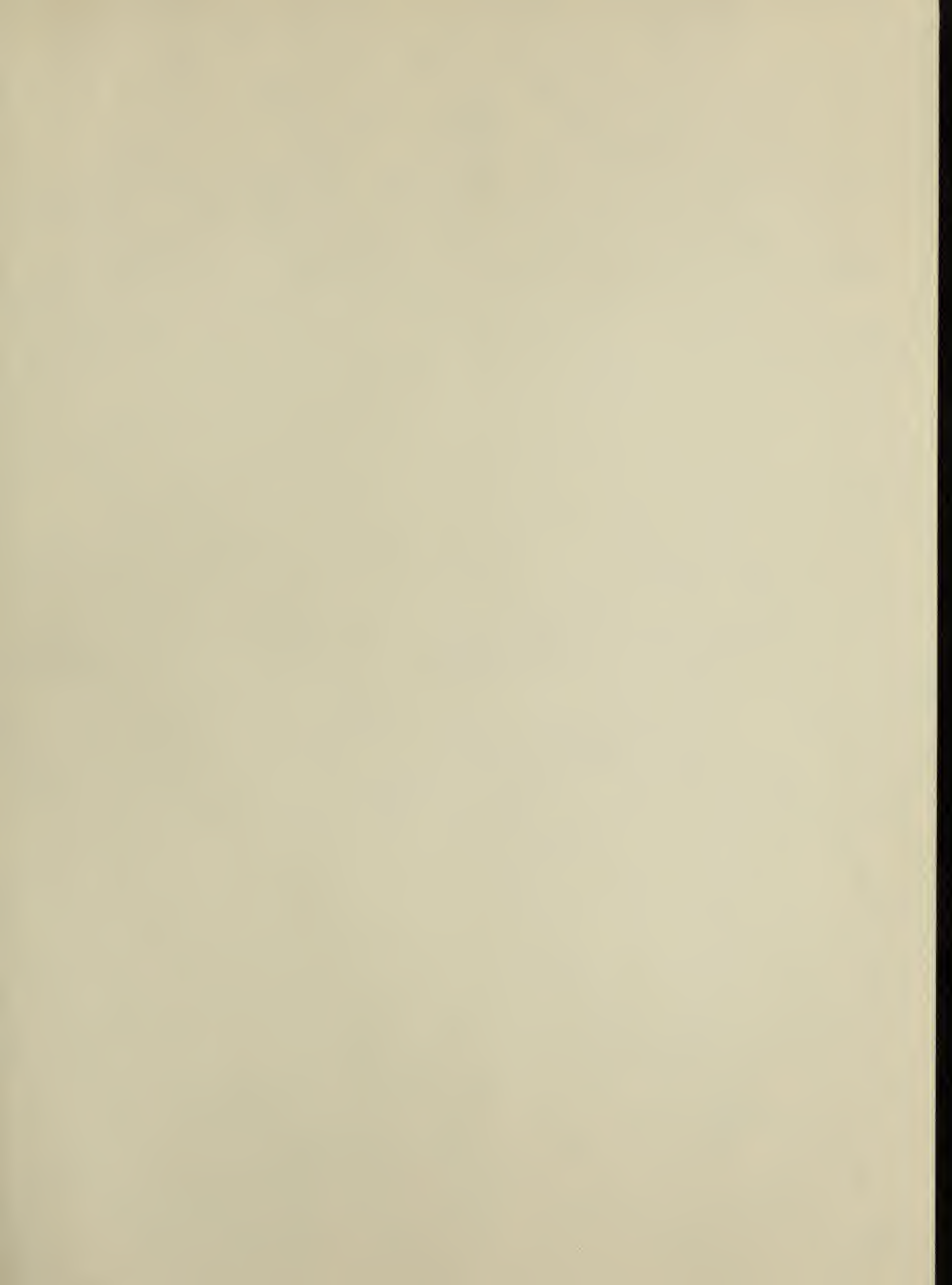
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